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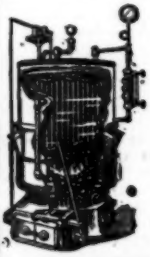
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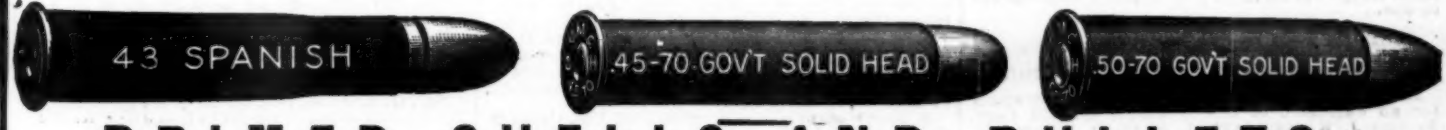
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## THE ARMY.

BENJAMIN HARRISON, President, and Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy.

STEPHEN B. ELKINS, Secretary of War.

LEWIS A. GRANT, Assistant Secretary of War.

## ARMY NOMINATIONS.—JAN. 9.

## Pay Department.

Lieutenant-Colonel Charles M. Terrell, Deputy Paymaster-General, to be Assistant Paymaster-General with the rank of colonel, Jan. 6, 1893, vice Gibson, retired from active service.

Major James P. Canby, Paymaster, to be Deputy Paymaster-General with the rank of lieutenant-colonel, Jan. 6, 1893, vice Terrell, promoted.

## Subsistence Department.

1st Lieutenant Guy Howard, 12th Inf., to be Commissary of Subsistence with the rank of captain, Jan. 7, vice Woodruff, promoted.

## CIRCULAR 1, H. Q. A., Jan. 10, 1893.

The following decisions, rulings, etc., have been made, and are published to the Army for the information of all concerned:

I. TRANSPORTATION OF PRIVATE PHYSICIANS IN ATTENDANCE ON TROOPS.—Upon the question as to whether or not transportation can be furnished by the Quartermaster's Department in cases where medical attendance is properly supplied by private physicians under the provisions of General Orders, No. 75, September 2, 1891, from this office, the Second Comptroller of the Treasury, under date of November 4, 1892, decided as follows (35125 A. G. O., 1892):

"Transportation during the fiscal year 1893 can in such cases be so furnished, the cost thereof being payable from the appropriation 'Transportation of the Army and its Supplies, 1893,' as for transportation furnished to 'necessary agents and employees' of the Army (7 Stat., 179)."

The second Comptroller has in effect decided, under date of July 30, 1892, that the appropriation 'Medical and Hospital Department, 1893' (7 Stat., 151), is not chargeable with the travelling expenses of private physicians employed for the medical care and treatment of officers and enlisted men of the Army and Signal Corps on duty at posts and stations for which no other provision is made.

"Whenever practicable, transportation requests should be obtained for all authorized journeys of private physicians employed under the provisions of the aforesaid general order, and bond should be obtained for all such journeys over land-grant or bond-aided railroads, as contemplated by paragraph 811 of the Army Regulations of 1890, the civilian employees of the Army being a part of the troops of the United States within the meaning of the land-grant and Army appropriation acts."

II. INSPECTION OF PUBLIC PROPERTY OF THE RECRUITING SERVICE.—The Secretary of War has given to the superintendent of the recruiting service, U. S. Army, the same authority as that of a department commander, to appoint inspectors for public property offered for condemnation by officers under him on the recruiting service, and to pass upon the action of such inspectors. [Decision Maj. Gen. Comdg. Army, Dec. 10, 92—43012 A. G. O., 1892.]

III. HORSES FOR MEMBERS OF HOSPITAL CORPS IN THE FIELD.—When superfluous horses are available at a post, either in cavalry troops or in the Quartermaster's Department, they will be furnished for use of members of the Hospital Corps for duty in the field when called for. When no horses are available special application for authority to hire must be made. [Decision Maj. Gen. Comdg. Army, Nov. 28, 92—38045 A. G. O., 1892.]

IV. UNIFORMS FOR CHAPLAINS.—The question as to whether or not chaplains are entitled to wear, as undress, the sack-coat described in paragraph 137 of the Regulations, as amended by General Orders, No. 93, September 29, 1892, from this office, is answered in the negative by paragraph 1766 of the Regulations, as amended by General Orders, No. 103, September 29, 1890, from this office, which provides for a chaplain, for undress, either the black frock or a plain black sack coat. [Decision Maj. Gen. Comdg. Army, Dec. 10, 92—43430 A. G. O., 1892.]

V. BATTALION COMMANDERS.—On a question presented by a post and regimental commander, as to whether the senior captain present at a post where there are two or more battalions constituted as authorized by General Orders, No. 29, April 14, 1892, from this office, should take command of a battalion whose commander is disabled, regardless of the battalion in which he is serving; decided, that while the subject-matter is one that should be regulated by the regimental commander, it may be stated that in the case of the temporary disability of a battalion commander the command would naturally devolve on the officer next in rank in that battalion. In case the disability continues for some length of time, the organization of battalions might be changed to conform to the circumstances. [Decision Maj. Gen. Comdg. Army, Dec. 27, 92—41782 P. R. D., 1892.]

By command of Maj.-Gen. Schofield:

R. WILLIAMS, Adjt.-General.

G. O. 1, DEPT. OF THE MISSOURI, Jan. 3, 1893.

Publishes information in reference to the annual estimates pertaining to the Quartermaster's Department.

G. O. 1, DEPT. OF THE PLATTE, Jan. 3, 1893.

In conformity with A. R. 218 the drill season for 1893 will embrace the entire year except that period which is annually set apart as the target practice season with rifle and carbine.

## CORPS AND STAFF DEPARTMENTS.

## Judge Advocate General's Department.

Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted Capt. Francis J. Kernan, Adj. A. (S. O. 2, Jan. 5, D. Dak.)

## Adjutant and Inspector Generals.

Col. Edward M. Heyl, Insp.-Gen., will proceed to and inspect the posts of Ft. Supply, I. T., and Ft. Reno and Sill, O. T. (S. O. 1, Jan. 3, D. Mo.)

## Quartermasters and Subsistence Departments

Maj. Edwin B. Atwood, Q. M., will, in addition to his other duties, perform those of purchasing and depot commissary of subsistence at Boston, Mass., during the absence of Capt. Scott (S. O., Jan. 7, H. Q. A.)

Capt. John B. Eaton, Asst. Q. M., will proceed to Ft. McHenry, Md., and make the careful appraisal of the market value of the post exchange required by A. R. 343, rendered necessary by the approaching departure of Bat. G, 3d Artillery (S. O. 6, Jan. 9, D. East.)

The leave for seven days granted Capt. John W. Pullman, Asst. Q. M., is extended 23 days (S. O. 8, Jan. 11, D. East.)

The following changes in the stations and duties of officers of the Subsistence Department are ordered: Lieut.-Col. John W. Barriger, Asst. Comy. Gen. Sub., is relieved from his present duties at St. Louis, Mo., to Governor's Island, N. Y. H., as Chief Commissary of that Department. Maj. Amos S. Kimball, Q. M., will, in addition to his present duties, take charge of the office and perform the duties of purchasing and depot commissary of subsistence at St. Louis, Mo., until the arrival at that station of Capt. Henry G. Sharpe, C. S. Capt. Henry G. Sharpe, C. S., will be relieved of his present duties at Portland, Ore., by Maj. William H. Nash, C. S., and will then repair to St. Louis and relieve Maj. Amos S. Kimball, Q. M. (Maj. Nash, on relieving Capt. Sharpe, will thereafter, in addition to his other duties, perform the duties of purchasing and depot commissary of subsistence at Portland, Ore. (S. O., Jan. 5, H. Q. A.)

The leave for seven days heretofore granted Capt. Douglas M. Scott, C. S., is extended 23 days (S. O., Jan. 7, H. Q. A.)

The following enlisted men, now at the stations designated after their respective names, are placed upon the retired list and will repair to their homes: Comy. Sergt. John Buckley, Benicia Arsenal, Cal., and Sergt. John J. Mitchell, General Service, Columbus Barracks, O. (S. O., Jan. 5, H. Q. A.)

Comy. Sergt. John Buckley, just retired from active service, served with credit during a portion of the war, and was appointed to his present grade June 21, 1873.

## Medical Department.

1st Lieut. G. M. Wells, Asst. Surg., will proceed from Ft. Grant to San Carlos, A. T., for duty during temporary absence of Asst. Surg. Skillook (S. O. 169, Dec. 30, D. Ariz.)

Maj. David L. Huntington, Surg., is authorized during his visit to Ft. Huachuca, A. T., to make the official inspection, and also attend to such other duties as may be pertinent to his office as medical director (S. O. 2, Jan. 4, D. Ariz.)

Par. 2, S. O. 1, c. s., directing 1st Lieut. Frank R. Keefe, Asst. Surg., to proceed to Ft. Leavenworth, Kas., for temporary duty, is revoked (S. O. 2, Jan. 4, D. Mo.)

Capt. George McCreery, Asst. Surg., Ft. McIntosh, will visit the troops encamped at or near Los Angeles, Realitos and Rendado, Tex., whenever his services as medical officer may be required (S. O. 2, Jan. 4, D. Texas.)

1st Lieut. J. D. Siemann, Asst. Surg., will proceed to Carrizo, Tex. (S. O. 2, Jan. 4, D. Texas.)

Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted Capt. J. L. Powell, Asst. Surg. (S. O. 3, Jan. 7, D. East.)

Maj. John V. Lauderdale, Surg., will proceed to Madison Barracks, N. Y., and report as witness before G. C. M. (S. O. 5, Jan. 7, D. East.)

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Lieut.-Col. Charles R. Greenleaf, Depy. Surg.-Gen., is detailed as a delegate to the Eleventh International Medical Congress to convene at Rome, Italy, on Sept. 24, 1893. While abroad he will visit such points in Great Britain, France, Germany, Russia, Austria, Italy, and elsewhere as may be deemed necessary by the Surgeon-General of the Army, on official business (S. O., Jan. 9, H. Q. A.)

Capt. L. A. La Garde, Asst. Surg., will proceed to Washington Barracks, D. C., and report to Col. L. R. Livingston, 3d Art., president of the Army Retiring Board in session at that post, as a witness in the case of Capt. Edward C. Knowler, 3d Art. (S. O. 6, Jan. 9, D. East.)

Maj. John V. Lauderdale, Surg., will proceed to Madison Barracks, N. Y., and report as witness before G. C. M. (S. O. 7, Jan. 10, D. East.)

The C. O. Ft. Clark will send Hospl. Stwd. Edward Meagher to Carrizo, Tex., for duty in the field (S. O. 2, Jan. 4, D. Texas.)

The C. O. Ft. Sam Houston will send Asst. Hospl. Stwd. John Nan Kervis to Rendado, Tex., for duty in the field (S. O. 2, Jan. 4, D. Texas.)

The following change of stations and assignments to duty of enlisted men of the Hospital Corps are made: Hospl. Stwd. Henry Roepke, now on duty at the Army and Navy General Hospital, Hot Springs, Ark., will proceed to Ft. Thomas, Ky., to relieve Hospl. Stwd. Henry J. Linweber, who will proceed to Key West Barracks, Fla., for duty (S. O., Jan. 5, H. Q. A.)

## Pay Department.

Col. William R. Gibson, Asst. Paymr.-Gen., having been found by an Army retiring board incapacitated for active service, on account of disability incident to the Service, is retired from active service (S. O., Jan. 6, H. Q. A.)

## Engineer and Ordnance Departments.

The order from the H. Q. A. of Dec. 4, 1891, relating to Capt. Frederick A. Mahan, C. E., is amended to read as follows: Capt. Mahan, upon being relieved from duty as engineer of the Fourth Light-House District at Philadelphia by Capt. Maguire, will repair to and take station at Washington, D. C., reporting to the Secretary of the Treasury for duty as Engineer Secretary of the Light-House Board, and relieving of that duty Maj. James F. Gregory, C. E. (S. O., Jan. 5, H. Q. A.)

A board of officers—to consist of Col. Cyrus B. Comstock, Maj. Alexander Mackenzie and Maj. Oswald H. Ernst—will assemble at Cincinnati, Ohio, on the call of the senior member, to consider and report upon a project for improving the channel of the Ohio River at Logstown Bar (S. O. 1, Jan. 10, C. E.)

The leave granted 1st Lieut. Harry Taylor, C. E., is extended to Jan. 31, 1893 (S. O. 1, Jan. 10, C. E.)

Capt. William Crozier, O. D., will proceed to the works of the Southwark Foundry and Machine Company, Philadelphia, Pa., on official business, and on the completion thereof will return to his proper station (S. O., Jan. 6, H. Q. A.)

Capt. William B. Gordon, O. D., will proceed from Cold Spring, N. Y., to Sandy Hook Proving Ground, Sandy Hook, N. J., on official business (S. O., Jan. 10, H. Q. A.)

Ord. Sergt. John Gorham (appointed Dec. 21, 1892, from 1st sergeant Bat. F, 4th Art.), now at Ft. Riley, Kas., is assigned to duty at that post (S. O., Jan. 5, H. Q. A.)

Ord. Sergt. Maurice McGrath (appointed Dec. 21, 1892, from 1st sergeant, Bat. G, 3d Art.), now at Ft.

McHenry, Md., will proceed to Ft. Foote, Md., and relieve Ord. Sergt. Albert C. Van Deusen, who will proceed to Ft. Preble, Me., for duty (S. O., Jan. 5, H. Q. A.)

Ord. Sergt. James Fawdry (appointed Dec. 21, 1892, from sergeant Bat. D, 3d Art.), now at Ft. McHenry, Md., will proceed to Ft. Montgomery, N. Y., for duty (S. O., Jan. 5, H. Q. A.)

The following assignments to stations of ordnance sergeants (appointed Dec. 21, 1892) are made: James Rees (late 1st sergeant, Bat. B, 3d Art.), now at Ft. Monroe, Va., to Washington Barracks, D. C.; Sheldon A. Keeney (late 1st sergeant Bat. D, 1st Art.), now at Ft. Wadsworth, N. Y., to Ft. Adams, R. I.; Frank Byrne (late sergeant Bat. I, 3d Art.), now at Washington Barracks, D. C., to Jackson Barracks, La.; Thomas Bullfinch (late sergeant Bat. H, 4th Art.), now at Ft. Monroe, Va., to Ft. Columbus, N. Y. (S. O., Jan. 5, H. Q. A.)

Ord. Sergt. Maurice McGrath, now in Washington, D. C., under orders to Ft. Foote, Md., will return to Ft. McHenry, Md., for duty (S. O., Jan. 10, H. Q. A.)

Ord. Sergt. H. B. Dardinkeller was retired this week, after a meritorious Army service of over 30 years. He was an old 5th Artilleryman, and was appointed ordnance sergeant in November, 1877.

## Signal Corps.

The Q. M. Dept. will furnish transportation from New York City to Holbrook, Ariz., to Signal Sergt. William Bessell, S. O. (S. O. 3, Jan. 7, D. East.)

## THE LINE.

The Stations of Companies not mentioned here will be found by reference to last number of the JOURNAL.

1st Cavalry, Colonel Abraham K. Arnold.  
Hdqs., C. E. F. G. H. and K. Ft. Grant; D. Ft. Apache, B. and I. Ft. Bayard, N. M.; L. Ft. Custer, Mont.; A. Ft. Myer, Va. Indian troops.

2d Lieut. Robert C. Williams is appointed recruiting officer at Fort Apache, A. T., relieving 2d Lieut. Arthur Johnson, 11th Inf. (S. O. 1, Jan. 3, H. Q. A.)

Major John M. Hamilton, A. I. G., will proceed to Portland, Ore., and return, on public business (S. O. 1, Jan. 3, D. Col.)

2nd Cavalry, Colonel George G. Hunt.

Hdqs., A. C. D. G. H. and I. Ft. Wingate, N. M.; E. and K. Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.; B. and L. Ft. Bowie, Ariz.; F. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.—Indian troops.

Sergt. Edward McNally, Troop L, for drunkenness on the march from Fort Huachuca to Fort Bowie, has been reduced to the ranks and mulcted \$20.

3rd Cavalry, Colonel Anson Mills.

Hdqs., A. and C. Ft. McIntosh, Tex.; D. and E. Fort Sam Houston, Tex.; F. Ft. Hancock, Tex.; G. Ft. Riley, Kas.; and I. Ft. Harts, Tex.; B. Ft. Brown, Tex.; H. Eagle Pass, Tex.; L. Fort Meade, D. C.—Indian troops.

Capt. G. A. Drew will proceed to Fort Clark, Tex., as witness before G. C. M. at that post (S. O. 1, Jan. 3, D. Tex.)

4th Cavalry, Colonel Chas. E. Compton.

Hdqs., A. D. H. and L. Ft. Walla Walla, Wash.; C. Ft. Bidwell, Cal.; E. Ft. Sherman, Idaho; K. Vancouver Bks., Wash.; B. Boise Bks., Idaho; B. I. and K. Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.—Indian troops.

Sergt. Samuel Adams, Troop K, for absence without leave, has been mulcted \$15. Gen. McCook confirms the sentence although he deems it too light.

The leave granted Capt. James R. Richards, Jr., is extended three months on account of sickness (S. O., Jan. 7, H. Q. A.)

The instructions directing Capt. Cunliffe H. Murray, Jan. 4, to proceed to Fort Sherman, Idaho, as witness before the G. C. M. at that post, are confirmed (S. O. 3, Jan. 5, D. Col.)

5th Cavalry, Colonel James F. Wade.

Hdqs., A. E. F. G. H. and I. Ft. Reno, Okh. T.; D. and K. Ft. Sill, Okh. T.; A. and F. Ft. Supply, Ind. T.; L. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.—Indian troops.

2d Lieut. Joseph E. Cusack will proceed from Ft. Reno to Ft. Sill, O. T., for duty with Troop D (S. O. 1, Jan. 3, D. Mo.)

Capt. Walter S. Schuyler is detailed for special duty in connection with the World's Columbian Exposition when the 1st lieutenant of his troop shall have joined it (S. O., Jan. 6, H. Q. A.)

The leave granted Major Henry Wagner is extended 15 days (S. O., Jan. 10, H. Q. A.)

The following transfers are made: 2d Lieut. Andrew G. Quay, from Troop D to M; 2d Lieut. Joseph E. Cusack, from Troop M to D (S. O., Jan. 10, H. Q. A.)

6th Cavalry, Colonel David S. Gordon.

Hdqs., A. E. F. G. H. and I. Ft. Niobrara, Neb.; C. and K. Ft. McKinney, Wyo.; D. and L. Fort Yellowstone, Wyo.; F. Ft. Washakie, Wyo.—Indian troops.

7th Cavalry, Colonel James W. Forsyth.

Hdqs., A. C. D. E. F. G. H. and I. Ft. Riley, Kas.; B. and K. Ft. Sheridan, Ill.; J. Fort Myer, Va.; L. Ft. Sill, Okh. T.—Indian troops.—On detached service in Dept. of Texas.

The leave granted 1st Lieut. Selah R. H. Tompkins is extended ten days (S. O., Jan. 5, H. Q. A.)

Major John M. Bacon, A. I. G., Dept. of the Platte, Omaha, Neb., will proceed to Fort Robinson, Neb., on public business (S. O. 1, Jan. 4, D. Platte.)

Par. 17, S. O. 298, Dec. 21, H. Q. A., directing Capt. Henry J. Nowlan to report to Col. John K. Mizner, 10th Cav., president of the examining board convened at Fort Myer, Va., for examination, is revoked (S. O., Jan. 7, H. Q. A.)

1st Lieut. Lloyd S. McCormick is relieved from recruiting duty at Davenport, Iowa (S. O. 4, Jan. 4, Rec. Ser.)

9th Cavalry, Colonel James Biddle.

Hdqs., A. D. E. F. G. and I. Ft. Robinson, Neb.; B. and K. Fort Cheyenne, Utah; C. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; H. Ft. Myer, Va.

The leave granted Capt. Matthias W. Day is further extended four days (S. O. 1, Jan. 4, D. Platte.)

10th Cavalry, Colonel John K. Mimer.

Hdqs., B. E. G. and K. Ft. Custer, Mont.; (Jan. Ft. Ft. Ast. nuboine, Mont.; I. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; H. Ft. Buford, N. D. A. and D. Ft. Keogh, Mont.)

Capt. Joseph M. Kelley, Fort Custer, Mont., will proceed to Jefferson Bks., Mo., to conduct recruit for the 10th Cavalry (S. O. 2, Jan. 5, D. Dak.)

1st Artillery, Colonel Loomis L. Langdon.

Hdqs., A. G. I. and K. Ft. Hamilton, N. Y. H.; C. D. and



**1st Infantry, Colonel Matthew M. Blunt.**  
Hdqs., A. B. C. D. E. F. G. H. and I. Ft. Douglas, Utah.  
The leave granted 2d Lieut. George M. Brown is extended to include April 13. His resignation has been accepted by the President, to take effect April 13 (S. O. Jan. 6, H. Q. A.).

**2d Artillery, Colonel Richard Loder.**  
Hdqs., C. G. and M. Ft. Adams, B. L. K. Ft. Trumbull, Conn. Ft. Probs. Mo.; B. and D. Ft. Warren, Mass.; A. and F. Ft. Riley, Kas.; I. Ft. Monroe, Va.; H. and L. Ft. Schuyler, N. Y.—Light battery.  
The extension of leave granted 1st Lieut. Edward H. Catlin is further extended one month (S. O., Jan. 6, H. Q. A.).

**3d Artillery, Colonel La Rhett L. Livingston.**  
Hdqs., C. G. K. and L. Washington Bks. D. C.; A. and G. Fort Barrancas, Fla.; H. Key West Bks. Fla.; B. and I. Ft. McHenry, Md.; B. and M. Ft. Monroe, Va.; E. Ft. San Houston, Tex.—Light battery.

Major Joseph G. Ramsay will proceed to Washington Bks., D. C., and report to Col. L. L. Livingston, president of the Army Retiring Board at that post, as a witness in the case of Capt. Edward O. Knower (S. O. 6, Jan. 9, D. East.).

2d Lieut. Samuel A. Kephart will proceed to Columbus Bks., Ohio, and report, to conduct 30 recruits for the 3d Artillery (S. O. 4, Jan. 6, D. East.).

2d Lieut. Peyton C. March is detailed as recorder of the Army Retiring Board at Washington Bks., D. C., vice 1st Lieut. Wm. E. Birkhimer relieved (S. O. Jan. 9, H. Q. A.).

1st Lieut. Charles B. Satterlee is relieved from further duty pertaining to the militia of the State of Georgia, and is assigned to duty with Bat. H (S. O., Jan. 10, H. Q. A.).

The leave granted 2d Lieut. Edgar Russel is extended ten days (S. O., Jan. 10, H. Q. A.).

**4th Artillery, Colonel Henry W. Closson.**  
Hdqs., A. C. E. G. I. K. L. and M. Ft. McPherson, Ga.; F. Ft. Riley, Kas.; H. Ft. Monroe, Va.; D. Ft. Barrancas, Fla.; B. Ft. Adams, B. L.—Light battery.

1st Lieut. Stephen M. Foote is detailed for special duty in connection with the World's Columbian Exposition when the captain of his battery shall have joined it (S. O., Jan. 6, H. Q. A.).

1st Sergeant Eugene Wren, Bat. M, now on detached service, will proceed to join his battery at Fort McPherson (S. O. 8, Jan. 11, D. East.).

1st Lieut. James L. Wilson is detailed as J. A. of the G. C. M. convened at Fort Riley, Kas., vice 1st Lieut. Joseph E. Maxfield, Signal Corps, who is relieved from that duty (S. O. 3, Jan. 6, D. Mo.).

**5th Artillery, Colonel William M. Graham.**  
Hdqs., B. D. F. H. K. and L. Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; M. Ft. Mason, Cal.; A. and C. Ft. Canby, Wash.; E. and I. Alcatraz Island, Cal.; G. Ft. Monroe, Va.—Light battery.

**1st Infantry, Colonel William R. Shafter.**  
Hdqs., A. B. D. G. and H. Angel Island, Cal.; C. E. and F. Benicia Bks., Cal.

Sergt. F. W. O. Hempel, Co. C, for drunkenness, etc., has been mulcted \$15. Gen. McCook confirms the sentence, although he deems it too light.

Capt. Francis E. Pierce, recruiting officer, 82 West Madison street, Chicago, Ill., will assume temporary charge of the rendezvous No. 427 State street, in that city, during the absence of Capt. Alfred Hedberg, 15th Inf. (S. O. 4, Jan. 6, Rec. Ser.).

**3rd Infantry, Colonel Edwin C. Mason.**  
Hdqs., A. B. C. D. E. F. G. and H. Ft. Snelling, Minn.; I. Ft. Sully, S. D.—Indian company.

Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted 1st Lieut. Frank P. Avery, Fort Snelling, Minn. (S. O. 1, Jan. 4, D. Dak.).

**4th Infantry, Colonel William P. Carlin.**  
Hdqs., A. D. F. and H. Ft. Sherman, Idaho; B. E. G. and I. Ft. Spokane, Wash.; C. Boise Barracks, Idaho.—Indian company.

Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of three months, is granted 2d Lieut. George E. French (S. O. 201, Dec. 30, D. Col.).

**5th Infantry, Colonel Nathan W. Osborne.**  
Hdqs., D. and E. St. Francis Bks., Fla.; B. and H. Jackson Bks.; I. Ft. Adams, B. L. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; F. Ft. San Houston, Tex.

Capt. Hobart K. Bailly will proceed from Camp at the rifle range near Fort Thomas to Jackson Bks., and report for duty with his company (S. O. 5, Jan. 7, D. East.).

**6th Infantry, Colonel Melville A. Cochran.**  
Hdqs., B. C. D. F. G. and H. Ft. Thomas, Ky.; E. Newport Barracks, Ky.; A. Ft. Wood, N. Y. H.

Leave for one month, to take effect about Jan. 15, is granted 1st Lieut. B. A. Byrne (S. O. 6, Jan. 9, D. East.).

**9th Infantry, Colonel Charles G. Bartlett.**  
Hdqs., B. C. D. E. F. and G. Madison Bks., N. Y.; H. Plattsburgh Bks., N. Y.

1st Lieut. W. L. Simpson will proceed to join his company at Madison Bks. (S. O. 5, Jan. 7, D. East.).  
2d Lieut. C. C. Clark will proceed to Fort Ontario, and report for temporary duty with Co. A (S. O. 5, Jan. 7, D. East.).

**10th Infantry, Colonel Edward P. Pearson.**  
Hdqs., A. B. and D. Ft. Marcy, N. M.; A. and F. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; C. San Diego Bks., Cal.; E. and G. Ft. Stanton, N. M.; H. Ft. Wingate, N. M.; I. Ft. Bowie, A. T.—Indian company.

1st Lieut. J. T. Clarke is detailed as additional member of the G. C. M. convened at Fort Leavenworth, Kas. (S. O. 2, Jan. 4, D. Mo.).

**12th Infantry, Colonel Edwin F. Townsend.**  
Hdqs., E. and G. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; A. F. and H. Ft. Riley, Kas.; B. G. and D. Ft. Sully, S. D.; I. Ft. Vernon Bks., Ala.—Indian company.

Capt. Hugh G. Brown is detailed as an additional member of the G. C. M. convened at Fort Leavenworth, Kas. (S. O. 2, Jan. 4, D. Mo.).

**14th Infantry, Colonel Thomas M. Anderson.**  
Hdqs., A. B. C. D. E. and G. Vancouver Bks., Wash.; F. Ft. Townsend, Wash.; H. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

**15th Infantry, Colonel Robert E. A. Croften.**  
Hdqs., A. B. C. D. E. F. G. and H. Ft. Sheridan, Ill.  
Capt. Alfred Hedberg, recruiting officer, 427 State street, Chicago, Ill., will proceed to Davenport, Iowa, and assume temporary charge of the rendezvous No. 124 West 3d street, in that city (S. O. 4, Jan. 6, Rec. Ser.).

**16th Infantry, Colonel Matthew M. Blunt.**  
Hdqs., A. B. C. D. E. F. G. H. and I. Ft. Douglas, Utah.  
The leave granted 2d Lieut. George M. Brown is extended to include April 13. His resignation has been accepted by the President, to take effect April 13 (S. O. Jan. 6, H. Q. A.).

2d Lieut. Stephen M. Hackney is relieved from duty as member and detailed as J. A. of the G. C. M. convened at Fort Douglas, Utah, vice 1st Lieut. Beaumont B. Buck, who is relieved (S. O. 1, Jan. 4, D. Platte.).

The following transfers are ordered: Capt. Henry C. Ward, from Co. E to K; Wm. C. McFarland, from Co. K to E (S. O., Jan. 9, H. Q. A.).

**17th Infantry, Colonel John S. Poland.**  
Hdqs., A. B. C. D. E. F. G. and H. Ft. D. A. Russell, Wyo.

Leave for four months, to take effect on or about Feb. 1, with permission to go beyond sea, is granted 1st Lieut. James D. Nickerson (S. O. Jan. 10, H. Q. A.).

**18th Infantry, Colonel Henry M. Laselle.**  
Hdqs., A. B. C. D. G. and H. Ft. Clark, Tex.; E. Ft. Ringgold, Tex.; F. Ft. McIntosh, Tex.

Lieut.-Col. J. Ford Kent, A. I. G., will proceed to and inspect the recruiting rendezvous in St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn. (S. O. 1, Jan. 4, D. Dak.).

**19th Infantry, Colonel Simon Snyder.**  
Hdqs., A. E. G. and H. Ft. Wayne, Mich.; B. D. and F. Ft. Brady, D. C. Ft. Mackinac, Mich.

Capt. Theodore H. Eckerson is relieved from further duty at Fort Brady, and will proceed to Fort Wayne, Mich., for duty (S. O. 2, Jan. 4, D. Mo.).

**22nd Infantry, Colonel Peter T. Swaine.**  
Hdqs., A. B. C. D. E. F. G. and H. Ft. Keogh, Mont.; I. Ft. Yates, N. D.; E. Fort Pembina, N. D.—Indian company.

2d Lieut. George B. Davis will proceed to Annapolis, Md., and report in person to the Governor of Maryland for temporary duty in connection with the militia of that State (S. O., Jan. 6, H. Q. A.).

**33rd Infantry, Colonel John J. Coppinger.**  
Hdqs., A. C. E. F. G. and H. Ft. San Houston, Tex.; B. and D. Ft. Bliss, Tex.

**34th Infantry, Colonel Zenas E. Bliss.**  
Hdqs., D. E. F. and G. Ft. Bayard, N. M.; A. B. C. and H. Ft. Huachuca, A. T.

1st Lieut. Joseph B. Batchelor, Jr., is appointed recruiting officer at Fort Huachuca, A. T., relieving 1st Lieut. George S. Cartwright (S. O. 170, Dec. 31, D. Ariz.).

Leave for 15 days is granted 1st Lieut. Wm. Black (S. O. Jan. 7, H. Q. A.).

**35th Infantry, Colonel Andrew S. Burt.**  
Hdqs., F. G. and H. Ft. Missoula, Mont.; A. and D. Ft. Carter, Mont.; B. C. and E. Ft. Buford, N. D.

2d Lieut. Henry L. Kinnison, Fort Missoula, Mont., will proceed to Fort Buford, N. D., for duty (S. O. 1, Jan. 4, D. Dak.).

Capt. Henry P. Rizius, recruiting officer, Rochester, N. Y., will proceed to Brockport, N. Y., on recruiting service (S. O. 3, Jan. 5, Rec. Ser.).

Capt. Henry P. Rizius, recruiting officer, Rochester, N. Y., will proceed to Fort Porter, N. Y., Jan. 9, to appear as witness before the G. C. M. at that post (S. O. 4, Jan. 6, Rec. Ser.).

(For Late Army Orders see Page 350.)

Appointments, etc., recorded in the A.-G.O., Jan. 7, 1893.

#### PROMOTIONS AND ASSIGNMENTS.

##### Subsistence Department.

Lieut.-Col. Thomas C. Sullivan, asst. comy. gen. of sub., to be asst. comy. gen. of sub. with the rank of col., Dec. 27, 1892, vice Hawkins, appointed Comy. Gen. of Sub.

Major Wm. H. Bell, comy. of sub., to be asst. comy. gen. of sub. with the rank of lieut. col., Dec. 27, 1892, vice Sullivan, promoted.

Capt. Charles A. Woodruff, comy. of sub., to be comy. of sub. with the rank of maj., Dec. 27, 1892, vice Bell, promoted.

##### Pay Department.

Lieut. Col. Wm. R. Gibson, dep. paymr. gen., to be an asst. paymr. gen. with rank of col., Jan. 3, 1893, vice Rodney Smith, retired from active service.

Maj. George E. Glenn, paymr., to be dep. paymr. gen. with the rank of lieut. col., Jan. 3, 1893, vice Gibson, promoted.

##### Artillery Arm.

2d Lieut. Charles T. Mencher, 1st Art., to be 1st lieut., Dec. 23, 1892, vice Eaton, 3d Art., appointed asst. q. m.—to the 3d Art.

2d Lieut. T. Bentley Mott, 1st Art., to be 1st lieut., Dec. 23, 1892, vice Dudley, 2d Art., appointed asst. q. m.—to the 2d Art.

3d Lieut. Gustave W. Stevens, 5th Art., to be 1st lieut., Dec. 23, 1892, vice Bliss, 1st Art., appointed comy. of sub.—to the 1st Art.

##### RETIREMENTS.

By operation of law, section 1, act of June 30, 1892.

Col. Rodney Smith, asst. paymr. gen., Jan. 3, 1893.

For disability, section 1251, Revised Statutes.

Col. Wm. R. Gibson, asst. paymr. gen., Jan. 6, 1893.

##### CASUALTY.

1st Sergt. Bartholomew Monaghan (retired), died Jan. 1, 1893, at Jacksonville, Ill.

##### Courts-martial.

The following courts have been ordered:

At Fort Supply, I. T., Jan. 12. Detail: Lieut.-Col. Daingerfield Parker, Capt. Wm. Auman, 13th Inf.; Jacob A. Augur, 5th Cav.; John S. Bishop, 13th Inf.; George H. Paddock, 5th Cav.; 1st Lieut. Charles S. Hall, Abraham P. Buffington, 2d Lieut. Charles C. Ogden, 13th Inf., and 1st Lieut. Lester W. Cornish, 5th Cav., J. A. (S. O. 1, Jan. 3, D. Mo.).

At Fort Sill, O. T., Jan. 11. Detail: Maj. Aaron S. Daggett, Capt. Wm. P. Waterbury, Philip H. Ellis, 13th Inf.; Earl D. Thomas, Walter S. Schuyler, 5th Cav.; 1st Lieut. Hugh L. Scott, 7th Cav.; 2d Lieut. Louis C. Scherer, 5th Cav.; Frederick W. Fuger, 13th Inf.; and 1st Lieut. Albert B. Scott, 13th Inf., J. A. (S. O. 2, Jan. 4, D. Mo.).

At Fort Leavenworth, Kas., Jan. 9. Detail: Capt. Saml. McConibbe, 14th Inf.; Gregory Barrett, 10th Inf.; Charles W. Taylor, 9th Inf.; 1st Lieut. Mitchell F. Jamar, 13th Inf.; Capt. P. Johnson, 10th Cav.; Walter H. Gordon, 18th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Francis E. Lacey, Jr., 10th Inf.; James A. Ryan, 10th Cav.; Warren B. Fox, 10th Inf.; and 1st Lieut. Alfred M. Fuller, 2d Cav., J. A. (S. O. 2, Jan. 4, D. Mo.).

At Fort Huachuca, A. T., Jan. 11. Detail: Maj. Joseph T. Haskell, Capt. Frederick M. Orandall, J. Milton Thompson, 24th Inf.; Rudolph G. Ebert, asst.-surg.; Morris C. Wesels, Henry Wygant, 24th Inf.; James N. Allison, 2d Cav.; 1st Lieut. Alvarado M. Fuller, 2d Cav.; Joseph B. Batchelor, Jr., 2d Lieut. Joseph D. Leitch, 24th Inf.; James J. Hornbrook, 2d Cav.; Samuel V. Ham, George H. McMasler, 4th Inf.; and 1st Lieut. Wm. H. Bean, 2d Cav., J. A. (S. O. 2, Jan. 4, D. Ariz.).

At Fort Wadsworth, N. Y. H., Jan. 10. Detail: Maj. John Egan, Capt. Julius W. MacMurray, Edmund K. Russell, Henry W. Hubbard, 1st Lieut. Robert H. Patterson, John V. White, Add. 2d Lieut. Sawyer Blanchard, 1st Art., and 1st Lieut. Isaac N. Lewis, 2d Art., J. A. (S. O. 4, Jan. 6, D. East.).

At St. Francis Bks., Fla., Jan. 12. Detail: Col. Nathan W. Osborne, 5th Inf.; Capt. Jefferson R. Keane, asst.-surg.; Thomas M. Woodruff, 5th Inf.; 1st Lieut. Samuel W. Miller, Q. M.; Thomas M. DeFreese, 5th Inf.; and 1st Lieut. Hunter Leggett, 5th Inf., J. A. (S. O. 4, Jan. 6, D. East.).

At Fort Wingate, N. M., Jan. 12. Detail: Capt. James N. Wheelan, 2d Cav.; John Drum, 10th Inf.; Colon August, Edward J. McClelland, Frederick W. Kingsbury, 2d Cav.; 1st Lieut. Frederick Woolley, 10th Inf.; Lloyd M. Brett, Robert E. L. Michie, 3d Lieut. David L. Brainard, Edwin M. Supplee, 2d Cav.; Charles Crawford, 10th Inf.; Ralph Harrison, Edmund M. Leary, 2d Cav.; and 1st Lieut. Thomas J. Lewis, 3d Cav., J. A. (S. O. 3, Jan. 5, D. Ariz.).

At Fort Bayard, N. M., Jan. 12. Detail: Lieut.-Col. David D. Vanvalsa, Capt. James N. Morgan, Alfred C. Markley, 24th Inf.; John Q. Adams, 1st Cav.; John L. Bullis, Charles J. Crane, 1st Lieut. Arthur C. Ducat, Jr., James E. Brett, 24th Inf.; Philip G. Wales, asst.-surg.; 2d Lieut. Henry C. Keene, Jr., Harrison J. Price, 24th Inf.; and 3d Lieut. Isaac C. Jenks, 24th Inf., J. A. (S. O. 3, Jan. 5, D. Ariz.).

#### Examining Boards.

The boards of officers convened at the places specified, for the examination of officers to determine their fitness for promotion, are dissolved, viz.: Forts D. A. Russell, Wyo.; Meade, S. D.; Madison Bks., N. Y.; New York Arsenal, Governor's Island, N. Y. (S. O., Jan. 4, H. Q. A.).

The boards of officers convened at the places specified, for the examination of officers to determine their fitness for promotion, are dissolved, viz.: Fort Snelling, Minn.; Sheridan, Ill.; Whipple Bks., A. T.; and Fort Reno, O. T. (S. O., Jan. 7, H. Q. A.).

#### Inspection of Indian Goods.

So much of par. 3, S. O. 143, series of 1892, as details Capt. Wm. Conway, 22d Inf., Fort Keogh, Mont., to witness the issue of annuity goods to the Indians at the Tongue River Agency, Mont., is amended to detail Capt. James Q. Ord, 25th Inf., now at the agency, to perform that duty (S. O. 1, Jan. 4, D. Dak.).

#### Retirements of Enlisted Men.

The following enlisted men, now at the stations designated after their respective names, are placed upon the retired list, and will repair to their homes: Ord. Sergt. Henry B. Darlinekiller, Fort Columbus, N. Y.; Pvt. Eric Hansen, Bat. M, 1st Art.; Fort Columbus, N. Y.; Comy.-Sergt. Wm. Munser, Fort Bayard, N. Y.; Pta. Charles Snapp, Co. B, 18th Inf.; Fort Sheridan, Ill.; Patrick Weston, Bat. L, 2d Art.; Fort Schuyler, N. Y.; Principal Musician George White, band 1st Art. Fort Hamilton, N. Y. (S. O., Jan. 10, H. Q. A.).

#### FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS—SECOND SESSION.

The House Military Committee on Tuesday last further postponed consideration of the artillery-infantry reorganization bill until the next meeting. The committee agreed to report favorably the bill introduced by Mr. Outhwaite, providing for the organization of the Hospital Corps into companies; also to report a substitute for the bill in regard to the Signal Corps, providing that when Gen. Greely retires the head of the corps shall have rank not higher than Lieut.-Colonel.

The bill passed by the Senate last year, appropriating \$200,000 for the purchase of additional land for the Norfolk Navy-yard was favorably acted upon by the House Naval Committee at its meeting on Tuesday. The amount proposed to be appropriated, however, was cut down to \$150,000.

Senate bill 3,117, to abolish post traders has been favorably reported by the House Military Committee and will doubtless become a law before the session closes.

#### BILLS INTRODUCED.

S. 3672, Cameron. To amend the act approved June 8, 1880, relating to the pay of the Judge Advocate General of the Navy, by inserting in said act in lieu of the words "with the rank, pay, and allowances of a captain in the Navy or a colonel of the Marine Corps, as the case may be," the words "with the rank, and highest pay of a captain in the Navy or the rank, pay, and allowances of a colonel in the Marine Corps, as the case may be; this amendment to apply to the officer now holding the position of Judge Advocate General of the Navy from the date of his appointment as such."

S. 3631, Quay. To provide for the retirement of Lieutenant Colonel James Cooper McKee, Surgeon, U. S. A., retired, as full colonel.

S. 3696, Manderson. For the relief of Brigadier-General John H. Brooke, U. S. Army. Provides for the satisfaction of judgments obtained by Cameron and Smith in the District Court of the First Judicial District of the Territory of New Mexico, at the August term of 1890, against Lieutenant-Colonel John R. Brooke, 3d Infantry, U. S. A., now Brigadier-General, U. S. A., for alleged trespass and false imprisonment.

H. R. 9923, Jan. 6, 1893. Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations. An act making appropriations for fortifications and other works of defense, for the armament thereof, for the procurement of heavy ordnance for the trial service, and for other purposes.

H. R. 10030, Joseph. Appropriates \$150,000 to establish a military post at or near Santa Fe, New Mexico, upon the conveyance, without cost to the United States, of a good and sufficient title to not less than 640 acres and not more than 1,000 acres of land.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

#### NAVAL ACADEMY.

ANNAPOLIS, MD., Jan. 10, 1893.

A LARGELY-ATTENDED informal ball was held in the boat house on Saturday evening.

Lieutenant-Commander and Mrs. Reeder entertained the younger set and cadets with a "the dance" Saturday afternoon, on the *Santas*. Mrs. Reeder received in the cabin, being assisted in receiving by all the young ladies of the yard. The gun deck, which was given up to dancing, was tastefully decorated with flags, bunting and many colored lanterns, the whole effect of this pleasing combination being simply grand. A buffet supper was served in the gun deck cabin.

In repairing the gymnasium, it has been discovered that old Fort Severn, on which the gymnasium is built, rests on fifteen granite piers, and that fifteen arches of brick stretch from pier to pier; on these arches the walls of the fort are built. All the work shows great skill in the construction of the fort.

Mrs. Rear Admiral Benham and Miss Benham are visiting Lieutenant and Mrs. Bartlett.

LIEUTENANT SEDGWICK RICE, 7th Cav., who has been visiting friends at St. Paul, has returned.



## PERSONAL ITEMS.

REAR ADMIRAL D. L. BRAINE, U. S. Navy, after a busy life afloat, is living a calm and happy existence surrounded by his friends, at 71 Second street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

MR. FREDERICK PAINE, a son of the late Captain Amasa Paine, U. S. N., has been elected a member of the Minnesota Commandery of the Loyal Legion. Capt. Paine died July 27, 1863.

CIVIL ENGINEER R. E. PEABY, U. S. N., lectured in the Music Hall, Orange, N. J., Wednesday evening, on the "Frozen North." He is actively engaged in making preparations for his next expedition.

CHIEF ENGINEER HERSCHEL MAIN, U. S. N., was in Washington during the recent holidays, and visited his friends at the Navy Department, receiving many congratulations over the fine examination he lately passed for promotion.

PROFESSOR J. R. EASTMAN, U. S. N., of the U. S. Naval Observatory, occupies a pleasant home at 1905 N street, Washington. Prof. Eastman has done some of the finest work connected with the Observatory and is quoted largely abroad.

ASSISTANT ENGINEER HAROLD P. NORTON, U. S. N., of the U. S. S. *Concord*, will appear before the Examining Board shortly for his promotion to passed assistant engineer. It is not expected that his promotion will take him out of his ship.

LIEUTENANT GODFREY L. CARDEN, U. S. R. M. Service, calls our attention to the fact that he is not a graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy, but is a graduate (class '88) of the U. S. Revenue Marine cadet system.

SECRETARY OF THE NAVY TRACY and Mrs. Willmerding gave a dinner on Monday evening of 16 covers. The guests were the Austrian Minister, Justice and Mrs. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Macauley, Mr. and Mrs. Barney, Miss Field, Frank Tracy, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond and Mrs. Buer.

THE retirement of Col. W. R. Gibson, Assistant Paymaster-General, U. S. A., promotes Lieut.-Col. C. M. Terrell, D. P. M. G., to colonel and D. P. M. G.; Major James P. Canby to lieut.-colonel and D. P. M. G., and at last leaves a vacancy for a major and paymaster.

NAVAL CONSTRUCTOR PHILIP HICHOBN, U. S. N., as senior member, and Chief Engr. H. Webster, U. S. N., as associate, will soon begin the preparation of the expert case of the Government defence against the claims filed for extra compensation for the construction of the light draft monitor *Nauset*, which has been hanging fire for many years.

CHIEF ENGINEER PHILIP INCH, U. S. N., left Washington this week to assume the duties of chief engineer of the Norfolk Navy-yard as the successor of Chief Engr. C. H. Baker, U. S. N., who retires next Monday, Jan. 18. Chief Engr. Inch has recently returned from an extended cruise in the Pacific and will probably not go to sea again.

A LONDON despatch states that certain missionaries at Nanking, having provided a Chinese boy with a glass eye to take the place of one he had lost, a riot ensued, and the U. S. man-of-war *Monocacy* had to be called in to assist in maintaining the peace. The fate of the boy with the glass eye is not reported.

A CORRESPONDENT of the New York Times, writing of a visit to Larchmont to have a dinner at the club and a peep at the new library, says: "The Annals of Lloyd's Register were presented by Capt. Palmer, Royal Engineers. The copy of 'Navy Regulations' is the identical book carried by Admiral Upshur on his cruises, and was given by him to the club. Lieut.-Comdr. Clover sent a lot of Navy publications."

THE recent death of Surg. H. P. Harvey, U. S. N., recalls to mind one of the episodes of the great Samoan hurricane of 1889. Dr. Harvey was the surgeon of the ill-fated *Vandalia*, and during the terrible scenes of the wreck he was severely injured and for some time was unable to attend to his duties ashore. He never fully recovered from the effects of that experience, but has remained more or less of an invalid to the day of his death.

CAPTAINS JAMES CHESTER and R. D. Potts, 3d U. S. Art., will start with their respective batteries early next week from the East to take station at Fort Barrancas. Capt. James O'Hara, 3d Art., will start about the same time from Washington Barracks for Key West Barracks, Fla.

LIEUTENANT A. H. SYDENHAM, 5th U. S. Art., a recent visitor to New York City to be examined for transfer to the Ordnance Department, expects to remain there until about January 15, with headquarters at the Grand Hotel. Lieut. Sydenham is a frequent contributor, on Army matters, to the "United Service Magazine," "Belford's Magazine," the "Overland Monthly" and other periodicals, and has given ample proof of the lively interest he takes in professional matters and their proper exposition before lay readers.

COLONEL WM. M. GIBSON, Assistant Paymaster General, retired from active service Jan. 6 by reason of disability, has a meritorious military record dating from March, 1857, when he was appointed a military storekeeper in the Q. M. D. When the war broke out he was appointed an additional paymaster, and was appointed to the regular establishment in 1867. For his faithful and meritorious services during the war he received the brevet of lieutenant colonel of volunteers.

LIEUTENANT GUY HOWARD, 12th U. S. Inf., A. D. C., has been awarded the vacancy in the Subsistence Department, caused by the retirement of Gen. Du Barry and the promotion of Gen. Hawkins. With a service dating from 1876, a long experience in the staff, as well as in the line, and professional attainments of a high order, Capt. Howard is well fitted for the special staff position bestowed upon him, or indeed for any position in any other staff department. We shall look forward to his receiving, some day, a position in the Adjutant General's Department, for which he is peculiarly well fitted.

LIEUTENANT H. L. KINNISON, 25th U. S. Inf., is a recent arrival at Ft. Buford, N. D.

CAPTAIN A. M. BROWN, U. S. A., retired, is quartered for the winter at the Grand Hotel, San Francisco.

CAPTAIN JOHN C. SCANTLING, 2d U. S. Art., on leave from Ft. Warren, Mass., is visiting at Orange, N. J.

GENERAL D. S. STANLEY, U. S. A., lately visiting at San Antonio, was expected to arrive in New York City this week.

MAJOR DE WITT C. POOLE, U. S. A., is located for the winter at 1724 Corcoran street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

LIEUTENANT W. L. KENLY, JR., 4th U. S. Art., rejoined at Fort Monroe, Va., on Monday of this week from a short leave.

LIEUTENANT F. W. COE, 1st U. S. Art., on a short visit to the West, will rejoin at Fort Hamilton, N. Y. H., early next week.

LIEUTENANT FRANK TOMPKINS, 7th U. S. Cav., and bride have arrived at Ft. Riley, Kas., and received the heartiest of welcomes.

LIEUTENANT R. B. WATKINS, 9th U. S. Cav., of Ft. Robinson, Neb., will go abroad in a few days, to spend a six months' leave.

LIEUTENANT W. H. CHATFIELD, 5th U. S. Infantry, who is still visiting at Brownsville, Texas, will return to St. Augustine, Fla., early in February.

CAPTAIN FRANK D. GARRETT, U. S. A., has been transferred from the Minnesota Commandery to the New York Commandery of the Loyal Legion.

MAJOR J. H. CALEY, U. S. A., has returned to Fort Trumbull, Conn., from Gloucester, Mass., where he was called recently by the death of his mother.

BREVET COLONEL A. TRACY, U. S. A., retired, and Mrs. Tracy are at present on a visit to their son in New Orleans, where they expect to remain through the winter.

LIEUTENANT DELAMERE SKERRETT, 1st U. S. Art., who has been spending a sick leave in the East, will, at his expiration, join Capron's light battery, at Ft. Sheridan, Ill.

CAPTAIN L. V. CAZIARC, 2d U. S. Art., who has been visiting at 523 Lenox avenue for some time past, will rejoin at Ft. Adams, R. I., about the end of February.

LIEUTENANT C. C. CLARK, 9th U. S. Infantry, has changed base from Madison Barracks to Fort Ontario, New York, for temporary duty with Bowman's company.

At a recent meeting of "The Springfield Fortnightly Society," Capt. Philip Reade, U. S. Army, gave an interesting lecture on "Implements of Modern Warfare."

LIEUTENANT SELAH R. H. TOMPKINS, 7th U. S. Cav., after a pleasant holiday visit to his parents at Governor's Island, N. Y., will join Varum's troop at Ft. Sheridan, Ill., next week.

LIEUTENANT S. A. KEPHART, 4th U. S. Art., was in Columbus, Ohio, this week, and took a squad of recruits from Columbus Barracks to Washington Barracks, D. C., for the 3d Artillery.

CAPTAIN J. L. POWELL, Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Army, a recent arrival at Jackson Barracks, left New Orleans this week for the North, and expects to spend a portion of his leave in New York City.

CAPTAIN EDWIN B. BOLTON, 23d U. S. Inf., on college duty at State Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kas., contributes to "The Industrialist," a college paper, an excellent article on "Military Gymnasia."

LIEUTENANT W. L. SIMPSON, 9th U. S. Inf., who for some time past has been on duty with Bowman's company at Ft. Ontario, was expected at Madison Barracks this week, for duty with Baldwin's company.

GENERAL JOHN W. BARRIGER, U. S. A., will soon bid good-bye to friends in St. Louis to go to Governor's Island for duty as Chief Commissary of Subsistence, Dept. of the East, in succession to Gen. J. P. Hawkins.

CAPTAIN C. C. CUSICK, U. S. A., some time ago, delivered before the Ladies' Club of Art and History, of Cleveland, O., an interesting lecture on American antiquities, which is published in full in a recent number of the *Plain Dealer*.

CAPTAIN HENRY D. BORUP, Ordnance Department, U. S. A., was among the guests at the marriage at Sing Sing, N. Y., Jan. 8, of Dr. Geo. A. Brandreth and Miss Annie Ashton, daughter of Mrs. Frances Ashton. Capt. Borup is related by marriage to the Brandreth family.

CAPTAIN H. G. SHARPE, Commissary of Subsistence, U. S. A., after a pleasant station in Portland, Oregon, dating from July, 1889, will soon bid good-bye to friends there and start for St. Louis, to take charge of the Subsistence Depot in that city, in succession to Gen. Barriger.

MR. HENRY WHITE, secretary of the U. S. Legation, gave a dinner Jan. 8 at the Savoy Hotel, London, to Prof. Ronald F. Falkner, Thomas T. Keller, and Thomas W. Cudler, U. S. delegates to the Brussels Conference, and Lieut. Wm. S. Cowles, U. S. N., naval attache, who assumed office at London on Jan. 5.

LIEUTENANT A. C. SHARPE, 22d U. S. Infantry, a very capable officer, is closing up his affairs at the University of Dakota and will soon go to Los Angeles to report to Gen. McCook for duty as Acting Judge Advocate of the Dept. of Arizona in succession to Capt. E. S. Dudley, recently appointed to the Q. M. D. It will then be Capt. Sharpe.

CAPTAIN WM. B. BANISTER, Assistant Surgeon, U. S. A., was married Jan. 12, at St. Paul's Church, Petersburg, Va., to Miss Mary Caroline Noltenius, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Noltenius. After the ceremony the married couple left on a short tour and will join at Washington Barracks, D. C., about Jan. 26.

LIEUTENANT J. E. CUSACK, 5th U. S. Cav., is a recent arrival at Ft. Sill, O. T.

CAPTAIN W. H. KELL, 22d U. S. Inf., was a visitor in Muskegon, Mich., this week.

CAPTAIN J. R. RICHARDS, JR., 4th U. S. Cavalry, is spending the winter at Terre Haute, Ind.

LIEUTENANT GEO. E. FRENCH, 4th U. S. Infantry has left Fort Spokane to spend several months on leave.

LIEUTENANT R. C. WILLIAMS, 1st U. S. Cavalry, has taken charge of recruiting matters at Fort Apache, Ariz.

CAPTAIN ALFRED HEDBROG, 15th U. S. Infantry, is a recent arrival in Davenport, Ia., for temporary recruiting duty.

MAJOR H. W. WESSELLS, 3d U. S. Cavalry, on leave from Fort Sam Houston until February 10 next, is wintering at Tallahassee, Fla.

LIEUTENANT L. S. MCCORMICK, 7th U. S. Cavalry, has relinquished recruiting duty at Davenport, Ia., so that he may join his troop.

LIEUTENANT JOSEPH B. BATCHELOR, JR., 24th U. S. Infantry, has recently taken charge of recruiting matters at Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

LIEUTENANT CHARLES W. FOSTER, 3d U. S. Art., has transferred his regimental recruiting rendezvous from Cumberland to Hagerstown, Md.

LIEUTENANT G. M. BROWN, 16th U. S. Infantry, has left Fort Douglass, Utah, on leave until April next, and will then quit the service by resignation.

CAPTAIN D. M. SCOTT, U. S. A., has left Boston for a few weeks leave, leaving the Subsistence Depot there in charge of Major E. B. Atwood, Quartermaster.

MAJOR GERALD RUSSELL, U. S. A., retired, whose residence is at 2838 Champa Street, Denver, Col., is a recent visitor to old military friends at San Antonio, Texas.

CAPTAIN THOS. J. LLOYD, 18th U. S. Infantry, who has been on leave since October, 1891, was expected to rejoin his company at Fort McIntosh, Tex., a few days ago.

SECRETARY OF WAR ELKINS and Mrs. Elkins gave a dinner on Tuesday evening to a few friends, among whom were Lieut. R. M. G. Brown, U. S. Navy, and Mrs. Brown.

LIEUTENANT G. W. VAN DEUSEN, 1st U. S. Art., under recent orders, transfers from MacMurray's to Merrill's Battery at Fort Columbus, the battery to which he has been attached for some time past.

CAPTAIN E. S. DUDLEY, Assistant Quartermaster, U. S. A., is likely to remain on duty as A. A. G. at the Headquarters, Department of Arizona, until the arrival there of a permanent successor to Col. H. C. Corbin, A. A. G.

At a luncheon given by Gov. Brown, of Maryland, at Annapolis on Jan. 9, Gov. Brown, in behalf of the State of Maryland, presented Comdr. Richard P. Leary, U. S. Navy, with a fine gold chronometer, for gallant service at Samoa, where he defended American interests. Capt. R. I. Phythian, Comdr. Colby M. Chester and Silas W. Terry, and Lieuts. W. H. Reeder and J. M. Hawley, U. S. Navy, were among the guests present.

COLONEL GEORGE M. BRAYTON, U. S. A., retired, has been elected an honorary member of Garrison No. 92, R. A. N. U., of Detroit, named in his honor. The resolutions declare that "Col. Brayton is now, and always has been the earnest and faithful friend of the soldier in the Army of the United States of America, and by his unflinching kindness and courtesy to all who wear the uniform of the Army or of the Navy, and by his conduct in this respect has endeared himself to the members of this Garrison more especially; and that the members are fully cognizant of the true worth and the sterling personal character of one who has served our common country through the trying scenes of the great Rebellion and through the long years which have elapsed since that period, with honor to himself and to the well being of his country."

THE *Evansville Standard*, in an account of a recent entertainment given by the Catholic Central Club, says: "It remained for Lieut. D. E. McCarthy, U. S. Army, to cap the climax of the musical part of the entertainment by his inimitable singing. His selection, 'The Midshipmite,' was so enthusiastically received by the large audience, that he was obliged to respond to an encore twice. Nor was this all, for later in the evening a number of persons requested that he sing that most popular song, 'The Mac's and the O's.' This produced such a round of applause that the gentleman had to appear again upon the stage, and this time sang a quaint old Irish ballad which simply 'brought down the house.'" Mrs. McCarthy rendered noble assistance on the piano.

THE *Sunday Arena*, describing a meeting of artists and officers of the Army at Chicago at the time of the dedication of the World's Fair, says: "Naturally they focalized in the artist's room, upstairs in the Columbian restaurant, where beverages could be absorbed, smoking indulged in, and experiences compared. The walls of the restaurant were soon adorned with good natured caricatures of some of the military men. Prominent among these charcoal sketches was handsome Bob Irvine, 11th Inf., whose cooling blonde mustache was given due prominence, side by side with the only Wallace Randolph, 3d Art. The peculiarly elongated head and close-set eyes of Boss Hare, 7th Cav., was sketched with life-like accuracy. Phil Rende, 3d Inf., was reproduced by Reinhardt riding an Edselle rocket; Phil always has a hobby. Trowel bayonet Rice, 5th Inf., was not omitted from the picture gallery. Adj. Fred Smith, 12th Foot, was immortalized with the legend, 'His pen is not more mighty than his sword'; in short, when dear old Harry Black (may he never be thirsty!) came to view the counterfeit presentments, he roared out to Will Butler that the photographers ought to shoot the artists for interfering with their prerogatives."



F. L. PERKINS, the cadet whose dismissal from the Naval Academy occasioned so much trouble, is a son of ex-Gov. George C. Perkins, of California.

CAPTAIN HENRY J. NOWLAN, 7th U. S. Cav., has returned from his trip to Ireland, and is again on duty in the Inspector General's Department at the Headquarters Dept. of the East, Governor's Island, New York.

COLONEL ASA B. CAREY, Pay Department, U. S. A., in New York City last week to assume the duties of Chief Paymaster, Dept. of the East, has returned to Boston, Mass., to close up his public business in that city.

Mrs. MASON, widow of Col. J. W. Mason, U. S. A., met with a painful accident on Christmas day. In returning from church she slipped on the ice pavement, and in falling broke her right leg and badly sprained her ankle.

The assigned work of Capt. C. C. Cuzick, U. S. A., by direction of Prof. Putnam, in matters of Iroquois ethnology for the World's Fair, has been concluded, and he has discontinued all further work for the fair. The Hon. D. McNaughton, of Albany, N. Y., will conduct the New York State exhibit, including Iroquois affairs.

LEUTENANT J. G. GALBRAITH, 1st U. S. Cavalry, on regimental recruiting service in Iowa, is thus described by the Ottumwa Courier: "Lieut. Galbraith is a man possibly 28 years old, and has a good stock of all the essential elements which characterize a gentleman and a soldier," always on tap. He is a brilliant conversationalist and withal as pleasant a man as we ever met. Lieut. Galbraith has seen about 19 years of varied service."

A LOS ANGELES despatch says: "The text of the decision of Judge Shaw, granting a divorce to Mrs. A. E. Brunson from her husband, Judge Brunson, has been made public. This is the case in which Mrs. Mary O. Stoneman, wife of George H. Stoneman, ex-Governor of the State, was named as co-respondent. Judge Shaw's opinion declares that from the evidence each and all of the allegations of the complaint filed, in charging said defendant with adultery with Mary O. Stoneman at any time or in any place, are false and untrue in every particular."

LEUTENANT JOHN R. FINLEY, 9th U. S. Inf., has reported for duty at Fort Ontario, N. Y. His family, now in Washington, will join him the latter part of January. Lieut. Finley was relieved from duty with the Weather Bureau, being in charge of the Pacific Coast Division of the National Weather Service with headquarters at San Francisco. During the last two months of his detail, Lieut. Finley gave a series of lectures on climatology and meteorology, illustrated with stereoscopic views, in the principal cities of California, and before the various scientific societies of San Francisco. These lectures were highly appreciated. The Technical Society of the Pacific Coast, in an enthusiastic and unanimous resolution tendered to Lieut. Finley "its sincere thanks for his kindly interest in the welfare of the society" and for his favorable contributions to its records."

THE Troy Times, referring to the recent arrival of Major Isaac Arnold, Ordnance Department, U. S. Army, to take command of Watervliet Arsenal, says: "He comes from Columbia Arsenal, Tenn., where he made a splendid record. Major Arnold in personal bearing looks the Army officer, but his nature is genial and his social qualities are apparent. Major Arnold's family consists of his wife, Miss Irene Arnold, Harry Arnold and the three younger children, two of whom are girls. The family has not yet left Columbia, and probably will not occupy the commandant's quarters at Watervliet Arsenal until the middle of January. Major Arnold comes to Watervliet Arsenal with a useful and varied experience; in all branches of the service, which, coupled with natural ability, will render his direction of affairs extremely valuable. He will also be welcomed to the social circles of this vicinity."

#### INSIGNIA FOR THE BLOUSE.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

COLONEL HEYL, Inspector-General Department of the Missouri, in his report, recommends that the insignia on the blouse be the coat of arms of the U. S. instead of the number of the regiment. This meets with hearty approval of all officers who read it. So many organizations now wear uniforms identical to that of the U. S. Army that it is impossible to recognize who is who. It is especially annoying to the soldiers who find themselves saluting officers of Macabees, Iron Hall, etc., etc. Occasions also arise when a Regular officer would rather not be mistaken for anything except what he is. We have right to demand that the authorities give us something distinctive, and which will probably not be copied. If not that, then give us something in the way of uniform so plain that no one will care to copy us. REGULAR.

#### ARMY REORGANIZATION.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

POSSIBLY your correspondent in the JOURNAL of Dec. 31 expects to antagonize Army reorganization by means of the retirement scheme proposed. He claims that economically disposed Congresses will not consider reorganization because of cost. They will, no doubt, also consider the cost of this retirement, which would add, including enlisted men, about \$3,000,000 to the pay roll of the Army, or more than a third more than it would cost to give the infantry and artillery a proper organization with the men necessary to fill them up to a proper strength. If the promoters of this scheme are sincere, they know perfectly well that among field officers rank is reasonably commensurate with age and promotion very fair. A major of fifty or over is bad, of course, but a captain of like age intolerable. The great congestion in promotion is beyond all question in the grade of captain (and 1st lieutenant in the artillery, owing to the double line of lieutenants). If the application of this proposed retirement scheme was limited to officers below the grade of major, not only would it possess some merit, but if enacted into law would be of some benefit to the service without ruining the retired list. X.

#### ORDNANCE NOTES.

From the Pacific Coast comes the report that the Union Iron Works are preparing to construct an armor plate factory and enter into competition for Government work.

It is reported that a Dr. Meyer, of Berlin, has discovered a process by which aluminum can be produced at about four cents per pound. In 1828 the price was \$5,000 per pound, and the price to-day is about one dollar per pound.

The Martinez, Cal., Gazette says: "The monster gun, Big Betzy, which attracted much attention here as well as elsewhere while on the journey across the continent, has been safely placed in position in the forward turret of the Monterey."

Capt. Galopen, of the French Engineers, is reported to have definitely settled the question of eclipse turrets by an invention, which secured his immediate promotion to major. The *Avenir Militaire* reports that the turret rises, discharges two rounds and disappears, all within three or four seconds, only five men being required. The noise within the turret was inconsiderable, which is not surprising, in view of our experience in monitor turrets. There is no other smoke than that which issues from the gun-breach on the opening of it. Moreover, says the *Avenir*, such is the accuracy and fixity of aim, that in a trial of ten rounds with each gun, the mark, which was at a distance of 300 metres, was pierced by but two holes, one for each gun; and it appeared that all the projectiles had gone through these holes.

The "Technological Quarterly" for April and July, 1892, contained an illustrated article on "The Construction of Modern Breech-loading Rifled Mortars" by Capt. A. H. Russell, U. S. A., which was read Oct. 8, 1891. This has been republished in pamphlet form. In connection with it we would call attention to the article on "Breech-loading Rifled Mortars for the United States Government," which appears in the *London Engineer* for Dec. 9, 1892. The new mortar has the dimensions of a gun and is often called a howitzer abroad, though it retains the name of mortar here because of its use for high angled fire. It is a breech loader, 129 inches long, nearly as long as the old muzzle-loading Rodman, though, unlike that, it is a built-up gun. The "recent results of careful and suitable measurements," Capt. Russell tells us, "bear out fully the theory of Rodman respecting the advantages of cooling cast-iron guns from the interior and confirm his genius." He further tells us that "the importance of a great weight in cannon to lessen recoil does not apply particularly to mortars, since the methods for checking recoil and reducing the shock on the carriage has been so fully developed." The use of all steel, as now proposed, will give a lighter mortar, "and at the same time a more powerful piece would be obtained, throwing a shell of 800 lbs. six miles, instead of a shell of 630 lbs. five miles."

The New Orleans *Picayune* of Jan. 1, 1893, has an illustrated article on American rapid-fire cannon. The cuts show the Hotchkiss and Driggs-Schroeder rapid-fire guns, on the Fletcher mount, and the breech-mechanism designed by Ensign Dashiell, U. S. N. A likeness is also given of Lieut. F. F. Fletcher, U. S. N., and concerning his mount the *Picayune* says: "The United States Government has been peculiarly fortunate in the 'mounts' that have been finally adopted after exhaustive trials, and it redounds to the credit of the naval bureau of ordnance that this difficult task has been accomplished by the bureau without expense to the Government beyond the regular salaries of its officers. Only those who are familiar with the subject can realize how great were the mechanical obstacles to be overcome in designing these mounts. The conditions to be filled by them taxed the ingenuity of inventors to the utmost; but, luckily for our new Navy, all the varied requirements have been met in a system invented and developed in the Bureau of Ordnance by Lieut. F. F. Fletcher, U. S. N. In the Fletcher mounts compactness and simplicity have been united with such perfect mechanical features that even the largest calibres of rapid-fire guns are controlled by one man with as much ease and rapidity as a fowling-piece at the shoulder; and the system possesses, as well, the important advantage of being readily adaptable to all sizes of such guns."

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

#### FORT THOMAS, KY.

AN interesting lyceum season as follows, has been arranged by the post commander, Col. M. A. Cochran, 4th Infantry: Observations on Taking and Retreating Advantages of Ground, as Shown in the Experience of the 6th Infantry During the Early Part of the Rebellion, Capt. J. P. Schindler; Minor Divisions of Infantry, Capt. S. Baker; Reminiscences of Gettysburg, Capt. J. F. Munson; Change in Tactics and Strategy, Capt. W. H. H. Crowell; In Reference to Fire Drill and Fire Discipline, Capt. F. W. Tolbut; Descriptive History of Small Arms, Capt. G. B. Walker; The Post Exchange, Lieut. B. A. Byrne; The 6th Infantry, Lieut. Chas. Byrne; The Nicaragua Canal, Lt. Z. W. Torrey; Modern Signaling, Lieut. Chas. G. Morton; Our Torpedo System as a Sea Coast Defence, Lieut. E. F. Taggart; Outposts, Lieut. B. W. Atkinson; Our National Guard, Lieut. H. H. Bandholtz; Rear Guards, Lieut. G. C. Saffarans; Discipline, Lieut. P. E. Pierce; Military Signaling, Lieut. W. H. Simons; Logistics, Lieut. W. E. Gleason; The Fighting Unit, Lieut. A. B. Shattuck; The Battle of Plattsburgh, Lieut. G. A. Detchemendy.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

#### FORT NIAGARA, N. Y.

COLONEL HORACE JEWETT, 21st Infantry, post commander, has arranged for the following essays to be read during the current lyceum season: Night Marches, Lieut. O'Connell; Infantry Fire, Lieut. Morrow; A Proposed Organization of the U. S. Army, Lieut. J. W. McAndrew; Hasty Intrenchments, Lieut. Loveridge; The Soldier, Lieut. Stamper; Direct Responsibility in Army Administration, Lieut. Brooks; Smokeless Gun Powder, Lieut. Sparrow; Outline of Military Law as Applicable to the Enlisted Man, Capt. Williams; Some Changes that have been Made to Improve the Lot of the Enlisted Man in the Past Twenty Years, and One or Two Important Ones that Should be Made, Capt. Duncan; Military Punishments, Capt. Ebstein.

#### LENGTH OF SERVICE TO GRADES IN THE ARMY.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

UNDER the present organization of the Army the average length of service to reach the different grades will be, when the normal condition is reached, about as follows, viz:

To Col.	To Lt.-Col.	To Major.	To Capt.	To 1st Lieut.
35 yrs.	32 yrs.	27.5 yrs.	17 yrs.	7 yrs.

During 1892, omitting all cases in which the officers promoted did not fill all the grades from that of 2d lieutenant, the result is, approximately, as follows, viz:

To Col.	To Lt.-Col.	To Major.	To Capt.	To 1st Lieut.
34.5 yrs.	31.5 yrs.	27.4 yrs.	16.5 yrs.	6.5 yrs.

For 1892, the length of service to the grade of captain is the only one above the normal. For 1893, on account of the numerous appointments in 1892 and 1891, the length of service to the grades of major and captain will probably be above the normal, but to the other grades will remain below. The greatest inequality in promotion in any branch of the service is to the grade of captain in the infantry, ranging from about 15 to 25 years. In the cavalry it is nearly the same ranging from 13 to 23 years. This inequality will gradually disappear.

In the Cavalry the Promotion is Approximately (1892.)

To Col.	To Lt.-Col.	To Major.	To Capt.	To 1st Lieut.
31.5 yrs.	30.5 yrs.	26.4 yrs.	17.3 yrs.	6.6 yrs.

In the Artillery (1892.)

To Col.	To Lt.-Col.	To Major.	To Capt.	To 1st Lieut.
30 yrs.	28.5 yrs.	26.7 yrs.	20.5 yrs.	6.4 yrs.

In the Infantry (1892.)

To Col.	To Lt.-Col.	To Major.	To Capt.	To 1st Lieut.
33 yrs.	30.5 yrs.	29.6 yrs.	19.5 yrs.	6.5 yrs.

In the artillery the promotion is much slower to all grades except that of 1st lieutenant. The proposed reorganization of this branch of the Service would chiefly remedy this. SUBSCRIBER.

#### NAVY MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION.

THE following officers were elected at the fourteenth annual meeting, January 3, of the Navy Mutual Aid Association for the ensuing year:

President..... Chief Engineer Thom Williamson.  
First Vice President..... Capt. J. A. Howell.  
Second Vice President..... Naval Constructor Philip Hishborn.

##### Resident Directors.

Lieut. G. H. Peters,	Lieut. E. J. Dorn,
Boatswain J. McDonald,	Surgeon H. E. Ames,
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Lieut. J. N. Homobli,	Lieut. N. E. Mason,
P. A. Engr. J. S. Ogden,	Lieut. J. M. Robinson,
Professor E. K. Rawson,	Lieut.-Comdr. Frank Courtis,
Lieut.-Comdr. A. R. Couden,	Comdr. C. M. Thomas,
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Navy-yard, Mare Island, Cal.....	Lieut. F. M. Bowditch,
North Atlantic Station.....	Lieut. J. B. Briggs,
South Atlantic Station.....	Lieut. G. F. W. Holman,
Asiatic Station.....	Lieut. S. P. Comly,
Pacific Station.....	Lieut. O. C. Berryman,
	Lieut. E. K. Moore,

Up to the close of the year 1892 the total amount paid beneficiaries by the Navy Mutual Aid Association is \$335,563.02, and the present membership is 815. The value of a single assessment is \$3,716.90. The Association is in a healthy condition, the number showing a steady growth.

#### IN WAR TIME.

ONE of the great excitement of the war grew a fantastic gaiety, a wild sort of Carmagnole frenzy. Society did strange things. Women would dance the german at a fashionable New York party, with their hair hanging in long streamers down their backs, while the young men would seize those beautiful tresses for reins and drive the fair women with imitation whips. Everybody was half mad. And after the war was over, these women, to whom philanthropy had become a business, found it hard to return to the common every-day work of life. So Mrs. S. M. L. Barlow, one of the best and noblest of human beings, suggested that we should help the South. We went to work again at the Dramatic Committee, and invoked Mr. Wallack. Mr. Jerome lent us the theatre, and we really did some very good work, producing plays which were not stumpled through, but had some resemblance to the real thing.

The money we made was sent to the clergymen of the South, who wrote of individual instances of distress. It was our pleasure to save the lives of sick children who needed more delicate food than their poor mothers could otherwise have procured. We used to receive most touching letters. Thus was the first effort at reconstruction attempted and carried through successfully. We tried to follow Great at Appomattox, and to be worthy of the last words of the murdered Lincoln.—M. E. W. Sherwood in *January Lippincott's*.

#### SAN ANTONIO, TEX.

THE Express says:

The fancy dress hop for the little folks at Fort Sam Houston was a great success, and reflected great credit upon the management. The ladies, Mrs. Gen. Wheaton, Mrs. Gen. Dandy, Mrs. Capt. Goodale and Mrs. Capt. Borden, were elegantly and tastefully attired in Martha Washington costumes. The costumes of the children were varied and elegant, conspicuous among which were Octavia Wheaton as an Italian peasant, Virginia Bakridge as Carmen, Ethel Martin as Helen of Troy, Minnie Pollock as a Roman peasant, Mary Bakridge as the Empress Josephine in an elegant empire gown, Helen McClary as Portia, Sarah McClary as a Quakeress, Winnie De Witt as a fairy, Blanche Wieting as a Russian bride, Eva Myers in a Turkish costume and Ada Roberts as Little Red Riding Hood. The grand march, led by the Misses Wheaton and Bakridge, to the music of the 23d Infantry orchestra, was set in motion at 7.30 o'clock. Refreshments were served at 9 and the strains of "Home, Sweet Home," was heard. It was an occasion long to be remembered.

The order for Lieut. Charles Humphreys, 3d Art., to join Light Bat. F at Fort Sam Houston, has been suspended. He is at present in Washington City.



## A CHRISTMAS PARTING.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

For many at Fort Riley Christmas eve was filled with toll and bustle. A few days before orders had come that a squadron should be ready to take the field as soon as cars could be had. These came on the morning of Dec. 24, and the rest of the day was busily employed in loading baggage and horses. Pleasant plans for Christmas were relinquished and preparations for a winter campaign on the Rio Grande was finished. In spite of cold the task of loading was accomplished soon after dark, when 148 men and 5 officers bade good-bye to wives, children, sweethearts, friends and comrades, and the sudden parting was ended. Dense clouds, biting winds and enveloping snow, made the cheerless Christmas eve more dreary still. The squadron is composed of Troops C, G and D, commanded by Capt. Jackson and Ederly and Lieut. Slocum, respectively, who are officers of long service and experience. Critics often object that our little Army is "top heavy with officers," yet a squadron of 150 men is sent into the field with but five officers. Nine would be the full complement; three are absent on duty, and there is one vacancy.

Only four troops now remain here. These, numbering about 200, escorted their comrades to the station. In the absence of the band, their march was enlivened by the shrill music of our trumpet corps, which competent judges have pronounced one of the best in the world. Nearly 400 men, women and children crowded the station platform, and after the last good-bye, the train moved off amid hearty ringing cheers. Men and officers were equipped for the field, and each soldier wore boots and spurs, and had his carbine with fifty rounds of ammunition. Nose-bags, holding currycombs and brushes, were also carried by the men, and horses will be properly groomed and fed on their long and trying journey. Other horse equipments, and pistols and sabres were stored in baggage cars so as to be readily accessible at Fort McIntosh, which is near the scene of trouble, and will be the base of operations. All were apparently in fine spirits and some, like Mark Tapley, were jolly to the last. One declared that Uncle Sam had made up his mind to put down the revolutionists by sending the Tenth Legion to look after them. Another, that the President wanted to hang Garza's scalp to his belt before March 4. I noticed only one man show sadness in word or manner. He had been sent by his captain for a basket of beer, and just as the train was about to start, with breathless haste and dolorous visage, he reported that in shipping the basket was dropped and the last bottle was broken. When told the evil could not be repaired, his manner was comical.

But, after all, many hearts were heavy at this sudden Christmas parting, and doubtless prayers in silence for happy and speedy reunion. There were much of disappointment and much of vexation in the unexpected turn of events. Christmas greetings, Christmas gifts, Christmas dinners, and other like pleasures were despoiled of their relish. A handsome tree had been prepared for the ninety children of the garrison, and was appointed for the 24th. Its suspension brought sorrow to the little ones.

The following telegrams were sent and received on Christmas day:

FORT RILEY, KAS., December 25, 1892.

To Captain H. Jackson, Commanding 7th Cavalry Troops, on M. K. and T. Train:  
Officers and ladies of our regiment send from home a merry Christmas and God's blessing, to their comrades and friends on the train.  
BELL, Adjutant.

MUSKOGEE, I. T., Dec. 25, 1892.

To Bell, Adjutant, Fort Riley, Kas:

We send thanks and God's blessings to our friends at Riley.  
C. G. AND D.

Organized in 1866, the 7th Cavalry, led by Custer, Sturgis, and Forsyth, has acted an important part in the settlement and civilization of the great West. It has repeatedly traversed the Dakotas, Montana, Wyoming, Nebraska and Kansas, and had many brushes and serious fights with hostile Indians. Its short life extends through twenty-six years only of so-called peace; and yet our casualties in killed and wounded have been twenty-eight officers and 462 men.

## ROWING AT THE NAVAL ACADEMY.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 2.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

At no time for years in the history of the Naval Academy have circumstances been more favorable for the revival of rowing interests than they are at the present moment. We have just won a great foot ball game, which now undoubtedly ranks high among the great annual games of the country; we have shown that our players can compete with equal coaching advantage, with those of the first colleges, despite the fact that we have but 240 odd men from which to choose. During the past foot-ball season our game has been raised from third class to first class, and it only remains for us to keep it where it is.

If such rapid strides have been taken in foot ball surely rowing ought to take a place, and a prominent one among the athletics at a naval school, and we propose to place it where it ought to be.

Once the Academy crew were the champions of the country, and it does seem strange that if eleven men can be chosen and trained to play such an excellent game of foot ball, eight men could not be picked from 240 to do credit, in time, to that branch of athletics which lies nearest their future profession. We firmly believe that they can.

We are aware of the difficulties in the way. Last year a class crew was tried experimentally and a defeat was suffered. But it must be taken into consideration that no one of the four had ever had the slightest instruction in handling an oar in a shell, and that they were then utterly ignorant of the course of training which goes with it. A beginning had to be made, and the experiment was only for the purpose of reviving the interest and of convincing the skeptics that we had the time. As a matter of fact we have more time to train a crew than a foot ball team, and under more favorable circumstances. The team was forced, on account of the season, to do most of their training by electric light.

We have made ourselves thoroughly acquainted, it is believed, with the details of college training.

The candidates, for the eight have been at work since the foot ball season closed on the Cook stroke on the machines in the gymnasium. Three of them have been in training all fall with occasional suggestions on the stroke from the late Mr. Crosby, of Yale. Active training begins Jan. 3. A subscription has been raised among the cadets and a pair oared and coxswain shell bought from Waters at Troy. It is proposed, as our winters are more or less open, to teach watermanship in this shell.

The expenses the first year will undoubtedly be the heaviest. An eight oared shell will cost \$500, and a coach will be needed for a week or ten days at the beginning of the season and for the same time at the end. That these expenses would be a heavy drain on the resources of the cadets alone is evident. Col. Church, of the JOURNAL, has very kindly offered us the use of his paper as a means of informing the officers in the Service of the movement, and has moreover generously started the subscription by an offer of \$50. We hope that the officers will be willing to subscribe a small amount each, as they have previously done for foot ball, and request that any who may feel so inclined, will forward the same to the JOURNAL. From the opinions expressed by the officers at the academy it is to be inferred that the officers throughout the Service will be glad to again see a crew there, and will meet us half way in the matter.

The question has been asked: "Whom shall we race?" We answer that our enthusiasm is not blind enthusiasm, and we realize that a good quality of rowing is not to be got in a short time. But if possible we hope to have our first race with a good crew, and to be in a financial position to issue a challenge to a college crew in a few weeks to a race in the first part of June. The Severn furnishes a thoroughly good course. We are not going to train with the thought of being beaten, but a defeat the first year will only have the effect of causing us to renew our efforts the second.

U. S. NAVAL ACADEMY.

## CONTRACTS FOR THE NEW VESSELS.

THE contracts for the construction of the battleship *Iowa* and armored cruiser *Brooklyn* was formally awarded to the William Cramp and Sons Ship and Engine Building Company on Wednesday last on their bids of \$3,010,000 and \$2,986,000, respectively, upon the designs furnished by the department. In connection with these awards the Secretary makes the following statement:

"Had I the power to award the contracts for the construction of these ships in my discretion, I should distribute them to two firms, but I have no such power. I am required by the statute to award the contracts to the lowest and best responsible bidder, and there is no doubt that Messrs. Cramp and Sons are the lowest bidders, and I cannot say that the Union Iron Works are better builders than the Messrs. Cramp and Sons, any more than I can say that the Messrs. Cramp and Sons are better builders than the Union Iron Works. I regard them both as excellent builders, and equally good. Under such circumstances it is plainly my duty under the law to award the contract for both of said vessels to the Messrs. Cramp and Sons, and the contracts therefore are accordingly hereby awarded them at the price for each, respectively, stated in their proposals under Class 1. The country is to be congratulated, not only upon the fact that there was sharp competition between the bidders on these ships, but also upon the low price at which the contracts are taken, the contracts for these ships being from 10 to 12 per cent. cheaper than the contract for any other ship which the Department has constructed heretofore. The *Brooklyn* is substantially the same as the *New York*, except that she is larger by 1,036 tons, the *New York* being of 8,150 tons displacement, and the *Brooklyn* of 9,186, or about 13 per cent. larger, and and yet she is to be constructed for substantially the same price, that of the *New York* being \$2,986,000 and that of the *Brooklyn* being \$2,986,000. The displacement of the coast line battleships, is 10,288 tons, and that of the seagoing battleship *Iowa* is 11,285 tons. The cost of constructing the coast-line battleships was \$3,063,000, while the cost of the *Iowa*, a 10 per cent. larger vessel, is only \$3,010,000, or \$53,000 less than the coast-line battleships. Under the competition which the construction of the Navy has stimulated among our manufacturers of shipbuilding material, there has been a reduction in the price of such material which, in view of the superior quality required, is quite remarkable, and it is a source of great gratification that this large reduction in the cost of the ships is effected without a reduction in the wages of the laborers and mechanics employed in their construction."

## EXAMINATION OF HOSPITAL STEWARDS.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

I READ with equal interest and surprise the letter of "Experientia et Progressus" in your issue of Jan. 7, 1893. According to its statements a young man passed at the head of his class in 1887 on account of the careless manner in which his examination was conducted, but within a short time his incompetency was so manifest that he was discharged by order. Although no name is mentioned the terms of the letter are such that I, for one, had no difficulty in identifying the young man whose good name was thus aspersed. In justice to him I called at the War Department to ascertain the facts from the record. His examination, according to the certificate of the medical officer, was conducted without the aid of books, memoranda or other sources of assistance, and in view of the unusual excellence of his papers the medical officer furnished a special certificate to the effect that all questions submitted to the candidate at one session were answered during that session. Moreover, this young man was not discharged, as stated by your correspondent, "on account of having been found incompetent to fill the position for which he had so brilliantly passed," but by order, on his own request, Jan. 23, 1888, on account of family sickness.

J. H. G.

An estimate of \$300,000 has been submitted to Congress by the Secretary of the Navy for the expenses of the international naval rendezvous and review, including assembling and preparation of ships and such temporary increase of the force of enlisted men and marines as may be necessary, to be immediately available.

## THE NAVY.

BENJAMIN F. TRACY, Secretary of the Navy  
JAMES R. SOLEY, Assistant Secretary of the Navy

## NAVAL VESSELS IN COMMISSION.

WHEN AND WHERE LAST HEARD FROM.

**A. Atl. Station.—A.—E.—Adm. John G. Walker.**  
Address care Commandant, New York.

**PHILADELPHIA**, 2d rate, 12 guns, Capt. A. S. Barker. At New York Navy-yard. Will shortly sail for Port Royal.

**CONOROB**, 3d rate, 6 guns. Commander Edwin White. At Norfolk Va., fitting out for a cruise.

**ATLANTA**, 2d rate, 8 guns, Capt. F. J. Higginson. Sailed from Norfolk, Va., Dec. 26, for Port Au Prince, Hayti, with Minister Durham on board. From there will proceed to La Guayra. Reported at Port au Prince Jan. 12.

**CHICAGO**, 2d rate, 14 guns, flagship. Capt. John F. McIlenny. At New York. Address mail care Commandant, New York Navy-yard.

**KEARSARGE**, 3d rate, 7 guns, Comdr. A. S. Crowninshield. At La Guayra. Orders to return North have been cancelled. En route to Colon, and may come to Key West.

**MIANTONOMO**, monitor, 2d rate, 4 guns, Captain Montgomery Slocum, comdg. At New York Navy-yard.

**VESUVIUS**, 4th rate, 8 guns, dynamite cruiser, Lt. Seaton Schroeder, comdg. Sailed from New York, Jan. 2, for Port Royal, S. C., where she arrived Jan. 5, for trial of her guns. Encountered heavy weather on way down, resulting in loss of one small boat and other slight damage.

**S. Atl. Station.—Rear-Admiral A. E. K. Benham.**

The mail matter for ships on this station should be addressed "Care of the United States Consul, Montevideo, Uruguay, or care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London." Letters sent to Rio Janeiro are frequently subjected to very long delays, owing to fumigation and other reasons.

**NEWARK**, flagship, 2d rate, 13 guns. Captain Silas Casey. At Cadiz Jan. 8. Will proceed to Mar-seilles and Naples for the purpose of bringing the exhibit of the Vatican and the French exhibit to this country. Will return to Cadiz to convey caravels to Havana.

**BENNINGTON**, 3d rate, 6 guns, Commander R. B. Bradford. At Cadiz, Spain. Will convey caravels to U. S.

**ESSEX**, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. Wm. W. Mead. Left Montevideo, Uruguay, Jan. 9 for Hampton Roads.

**YANTIC**, 4th rate, 4 guns. Lieut.-Comdr. Samuel Belden. Montevideo, Uruguay, Oct. 15.

**Pacific Station.—Actg. Rear Adm. Geo. Brown.**

Commo. J. S. Skerrett ordered to command Jan. 10. Address all mail to Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal. unless otherwise noted.

**ADAMS**, 3d rate. Comdr. Thomas Nelson. At San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 30. Private advices from Dare Island state the vessel is being made ready for a cruise to Samoa.

**ALLIANCE**, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. W. H. Whiting. Arrived at Samoa from Honolulu Dec. 13. Orders have been sent for her to return home.

**BOSTON**, 3d rate, 8 guns, Captain G. C. Wiltse. At Honolulu, S. I. Capt. B. F. Day ordered to command per steamer of Feb. 3 from San Francisco.

**MOHOGAN**, 3d rate, 10 guns, Comdr. Nicoll Ludlow. At Mare Island, Cal. Flagship of the Pacific Station, and after repairs will probably sail for Honolulu.

**RANGER**, 3d rate, Commander E. Longnecker. At San Francisco, Cal. It was intended to send her to Honolulu as soon as repairs are completed, but in view of further trouble with her machinery the *Adams* may be sent instead.

**THEETIS**, 3d rate, 2 machine guns. Comdr. Geo. C. Reiter. On surveying duty on lower coast of California. Arrived at San Diego Jan. 1.

**Special Service Squadron.—Rear Admiral Bancroft Gherard.**

**BALTIMORE**, flagship, 2d rate, 10 guns, Capt. W. R. Bridgman. Arrived at Montevideo Jan. 10. To proceed to Barbadoes Jan. 20, and expects to be in Hampton Roads about Feb. 5 and New York about Feb. 20.

**CHARLESTON**, 2d rate, 8 guns, Captain Henry F. Pickens. Same as Baltimore.

**SAN FRANCISCO**, 2d rate, 13 guns, Captain J. C. Watson. Same as Baltimore.

**YORKTOWN**, 3d rate, 6 guns. Commander Frank Wildes. Same as Baltimore.

**Asiatic Station.—Rear Adm. D. B. Harmony**

Address all mail Yokohama, Japan.

**ALERT**, 3d rate, 4 guns, Comdr. Geo. R. Durand. At Kobe, Japan, Nov. 30. Was to sail Dec. 1 for Ningpo.

**LANCASTER**, 2d rate, 10 guns, flagship, Capt. A. H. McCormick. At Shanghai, China, Nov. 30.

**MONOCACY**, Comdr. F. M. Barber, 3d rate 6 guns. At Shanghai Nov. 30.

**MARION**, flagship, 3d rate, 8 guns. Comdr. C. V. Gridley. At Shanghai Nov. 30. Was to leave Dec. 2 to receive stores of Palos, and then proceed to Foochow, Amoy, Hong Kong, Saigon, Bangkok, Singapore, Malacca, Penang, Batavia, Savowak, Labuan, Manila and back to Hong Kong.

**PALOS**, 4th rate, 6 guns. Lieut. Comdr. J. J. Hunker. At Nagasaki, Japan. Under orders to be sold.

**PETREL**, 4th rate, 4 guns. Lieut.-Comdr. M. R. S. Mackenzie. Lieut.-Comdr. J. H. Dayton ordered to command per steamer of Jan. 24 from San Francisco. At Nagasaki Nov. 30.

## Apprentice Training Squadron.

**PORTSMOUTH**, 12 guns, Comdr. C. D. Sigbee. On winter cruise in the West Indies. Mail for the Portsmouth should leave the United States as fol-



lows: Care of U. S. Consul, Bridgetown, Barbadoes, until Jan. 25; care of U. S. Consul, Port-au-Prince, until Feb. 26; care of U. S. Consul, St. Thomas, W. I., until April 12; after April 12 all mail should be sent to Hampton Roads, Va. The ship may visit the French West Indies, for which contingency arrangements will be made at St. Thomas for forwarding mail from that point.

**RICHMOND**, 8d rate, 14 guns. Capt. F. M. Bunce. At Newport, R. I. (Receiving ship for boys). **MINNESOTA**, 19 guns. Receiving ship for boys. Captain J. R. Bartlett. At dock foot of West 50th street, N. Y. City. P. O. Station G, New York.

**MONONGAHELA**, Comdr. T. A. Lyons. On her winter's practice cruise. Arrived at Lisbon December 25, and sailed January 16 for Funchal, Madeira, en route for the West Indies and home. The itinerary of the cruise will be as follows: Leave Funchal about Jan. 8 for Porto Praya, Cape Verde Islands; from Porto Praya about Jan. 28 for Bridgetown, Barbadoes, with expectation of reaching latter port about Feb. 23. Mail should be addressed care B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London.

#### VARIOUS NAVAL ITEMS.

The work of fitting the *Montgomery* for sea is making rapid progress, and her preliminary trials will be made in the course of the next few months.

The Herreshoff Manufacturing Company have been authorized to construct a steam launch 28 feet long for the Massachusetts Nautical Training Ship *Enterprise*.

The *Ericsson* Destroyer was attached for a debt against the company owning it, and they were required to settle the matter before the boat could be released from the custody of the U. S. Marshal and proceed to Newport to test her submarine gun.

ARRANGEMENTS have been made for the trial of the Naval Academy practice-ship *Bancroft* on Jan. 18 in Long Island Sound. Her builders are confident that they can exceed the requirements of 12 knots an hour by at least two knots.

When the *Boston* finally leaves Honolulu it will be necessary for her to go directly to the Mare Island Navy-yard for a thorough cleaning of her bottom. The waters of the Hawaiian group are especially favorable to the growth of marine life, and two or three months in Honolulu is sufficient to destroy any ship's speed completely.

The Board of Engineer Examiners at Philadelphia is having a pretty busy time these latter days. The passage of the "Anti-Reduction" bill by Congress brings up for promotion not less than seven assistant engineers, who, but for this action by Congress, might have waited months, and in some cases years, for the promotion which now eventuates at once.

The ports of the Potomac River during the recent cold weather have been inaccessible by boat. A telegram from Ensign R. B. Dashiell, in charge of the Naval proving grounds at Indian Head, Md., received Jan. 9, 1893, at the Navy Department, reports that his coal has given out, and that he has fallen back on the hard wood of the forests of the adjacent country.

The Board on the revision of Navy Regulations convened on Monday last at the Navy Department, and has been in daily session throughout the week. The Board appreciates the desire of Secretary Tracy to attach his signature to the new book before he goes out of office, and from the progress already made, there is every reason to believe that his wish will be gratified. The book cannot come too soon, for the old book, besides being obsolete, is out of print, the Department still being obliged to send to the second hand book stores for several copies recently desired.

The Construction Bureau of the U. S. Navy Department has ordered that the new cruiser *Detroit*, now at Baltimore, Md., be supplied with an experimental set of speaking tubes, the idea of a local mechanic. The device consists of a system of rubber tubes, all leading to a central office. At the end of each tube is a brass piece set at right angles, with a tubular cutoff inside. The *Detroit* is rapidly nearing readiness for commissioning. She is at present at the yards of her builders, the Columbian Iron Works.

The Bureau of Construction and Steam Engineering are preparing plans for four torpedo boats authorized at the last session of Congress, and intended for use on the battleships *Maine* and *Texas*, which are now well under way to completion. These little craft are to be 60 feet long, 9 feet beam and 15 tons displacement. They are to have quadruple expansion engines, fitted with oil boilers, carrying 250 pounds steam, and will also be provided with the force draught system. They are expected to develop 200 horse power, and should move through the water at an 18-knot gait. Their coal capacity will be about five tons, and the consumption of coal will be 600 pounds an hour.

#### NAVY GAZETTE.

##### Ordered.

JAN. 6.—Chief Engineer Alfred Adamson, to the Philadelphia.

Lieutenant Horace W. Harrison, to the Hydrographic Office.

JAN. 10.—Commanders John J. Read, O. A. Batcheller and E. T. Woodward, to examination for promotion.

P. A. Surgeon F. A. Hessler, to the Vermont.

JAN. 11.—Chaplain A. A. McAllister, to the receiving ship Independence.

JAN. 12.—Lieut. Comdr. Asa Walker, ordered to hold himself in readiness to command the *Bancroft*.

##### Detached.

JAN. 6.—Chief Engineer E. J. Whittaker, from the Philadelphia and granted two months' sick leave.

JAN. 9.—Chief Engineer Nathan P. Towne, from duty in the Bureau of Steam Engineering and granted leave for two years.

JAN. 10.—Lieutenant-Commander J. C. Morong, as a member of the Board of Inspection, San Fran-

cisco, and ordered to command the Puget Sound naval station.

Lieutenant A. B. Wyckoff, from the command of the Puget Sound naval station, upon the reporting of his relief, and ordered to appear before the retiring board.

Lieutenant C. W. Jungen, from the Coast Survey steamer *Patterson*, and granted leave for one year.

Lieut. F. M. Brumby, detached from the Nautical School ship *St. Mary's* on Jan. 13, and ordered to hold himself in readiness for sea service.

#### MARINE CORPS.

JAN. 3.—Second Lieutenant R. McM. Dutton, detached from the marine barracks, Annapolis, Md., and ordered to duty at the marine barracks, Norfolk, Va.

#### REVENUE MARINE SERVICE.

JAN. 10.—Captain F. M. Miner, detached from the *Galveston* and ordered to command the *Corwin*.

Captain C. L. Hooper, detached from the *Corwin* and ordered to command the *Rush*.

G. C. M. O. 67. Navy Department, Washington, Nov. 23, 1892, publishes the proceedings of the G. C. M. which convened at the Navy-yard, New York, Nov. 14, 1892, in the case of Asst. Engr. George W. Danforth, U. S. Navy, the outcome of which was published in the *ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL* Nov. 26, 1892.

LIEUTENANT LUTZ WAHL, 5th U. S. Inf., stationed at Jackson Barracks, La., has recently opened a regimental recruiting rendezvous in New Orleans.

LIEUTENANT J. C. CANTWELL contributes to the January number of the "Californian Magazine" an interesting article on "Alaska and the Rain Deer."

COLONEL JAMES MONROE TALLAFERRO, who entered the U. S. Military Academy in 1827, but left before graduation, died Jan. 1 in Washington, D. C., in the 64th year of his age. He belonged to a distinguished Virginian family.

The experiments with the Gordon disappearing gun carriage will be resumed at Sandy Hook as soon as the weather moderates to admit of outdoor work. The broken cross-head which put an end to the first experiment after the first round has been replaced with a new and stronger one.

The *St. Louis Republic* quotes at length some interesting remarks on military schools by Capt. L. H. Orleman, U. S. A., on duty at the Marmaduke Military Academy, Sweet Springs, Mo., and says: "Capt. Orleman is an accomplished and experienced scholar and soldier."

The following officers of the Pay Corps successfully passed their examination for promotion before the Medical and Examining Boards at the Navy Department this week: Pay Inspector J. H. Stevenson, Paymaster R. W. Allen, P. A. Paymaster C. W. Littlefield and Asst. Paymaster G. W. Simpson. These officers are now entitled to promotion by the death of Paymaster Clarke.

LIEUTENANT SIDNEY E. STEWART, Ord. Dept., U. S. A., has captured the gold medal and life membership awarded for the best essay submitted to the Military Service Institution in 1892, the subject being "The Army Organization Best Adapted to a Republican Form of Government, Which Will Insure an Effective Force?" Lieut. Stewart was in the line artillery for several years, and became an honor graduate of the Artillery School in 1884. He is a most capable and efficient officer.

The *Dubuque Times*, referring to a statement in the *Chicago Tribune* that Lieut. Hetherington, U. S. Navy, has left the service, says: "The statement is all wrong, and by indirection does Lieut. Hetherington an injustice, as he has not left the service, and is now on his way to Mare Island, near San Francisco, to report to the commander of the *Mohican*. For the past few months Lieut. and Mrs. Hetherington have been living in their own home at Wilmington, Del., where Mrs. Hetherington now is and will remain during the absence of her husband, their home being near that of Mrs. Hetherington's parents."

The death of Capt. William Whitehead and prospective retirement on account of ill-health of Capt. H. B. Robson and Comdr. O. A. Batchelder, causes the following promotions: Comdr. S. W. Terry, Lt.-Comdr. E. D. Strong, Lieut. Daniel Delestanty, Lieut. (junior grade) A. Cleaves and Ensign F. A. Haessler. In anticipation of the other two casualties referred to, Comdrs. John J. Read and Edwin T. Woodward were examined by the Medical and Examining Board on Friday of this week. Comdr. Brotheller will come before the Medical Board on Wednesday next.

LIEUTENANT E. W. CASEY, garrison No. 53, R. A. N. U., Fort Niobrara, holding Col. David S. Gordon, 6th U. S. Cav., in the highest esteem, for his many soldierly qualities, his untarnished military record of over 30 years, his kind and courteous bearing, added to his earnestness and willingness to assist the welfare of the enlisted men in every way, have elected him an honorary member of the garrison and presented him with a badge of the order.

SOME weeks ago the *Washington Post* contained an article to the effect that a test of the physical endurance of bronco horses was proposed to be made by Army officers and that Lt. Powhatan H. Clarke, 10th Cav., is at the head of the scheme. The president of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, J. P. Haines, has protested against this proposed test to the Secretary of War, and it is understood that Lieut. Clarke will be called upon for an explanation in the matter.

A CLASS picked from the 100 pupils of the School of Physical Culture for Ladies and Children in Washington, D. C., gave an exhibition at the Columbia A. C. gymnasium on Tuesday evening last. Among the patrons were Vice-President Morton, Attorney-General Miller, Sir Julian Pauncefote, Postmaster-General Wanamaker, Admirals S. Walker and Crosby, and Commander Train, U. S. Navy; Gen. Rochester and Swaim, U. S. A. Running jumps from the springboard, high kicking, and work on the flying rings were prominent features.

#### DEPARTMENT NEWS.

##### Dept. of Texas.—Brig. Gen. Frank Wheaton.

A despatch of Jan. 11 from Uvalde, Tex., says: News has reached here that Catarino Garza, the revolutionary agitator, has returned to the Rio Grande frontier, and is organizing the bandits. The authorities, however, on both sides of the Rio Grande are on the alert.

##### CAPT. WHITEHEAD AND ASST. SEC. SOLEY.

To the Editor of the New York Times:

The allegations made against Assistant Secretary Soley in an obituary notice of the late Capt. Whitehead, published in your paper of yesterday, do that officer a grave injustice.

Upon a vacancy in the command of the best ship in the service, I selected Capt. Whitehead for the position. Subsequently I myself directed that he be relieved, and selected the officer to relieve him. When, in the course of the routine of the Department, these orders were presented for signature, I was absent and they were signed by Mr. Soley as Acting Secretary. This action was taken by me after mature deliberation, and I alone am responsible.

B. F. TRACY.

NAVY DEPT., OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, WASHINGTON, Jan. 11, 1893.

##### G. C. M. O. 86, DEPT. OF DAKOTA, Dec. 30, 1892.

Before a G. C. M. which convened at Ft. Assiniboine, Mont., and of which Col. Andrew S. Burt, 25th Inf., is president, and 1st Lieut. John F. Morrison, 20th Inf., J. A., was charged.—"Conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, in violation of the 61st Article of War."

Additional Charge—I. Violation of the 60th Article of War; II. Conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman; III. Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline.

Second Additional Charge—"Conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman."

The Court found him guilty of Charge III., and not guilty of Charge II., but guilty of "conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline," and not guilty of the other charges.

The specifications under Charge I. of which the accused was found guilty, allege damaging statements upon his part in charges against Major Moylan, but he was acquitted of so much of the specifications as allege that he made them maliciously and with intent to deceive. He was found guilty of improperly reporting men on special duty, but acquitted of any intent to deceive. He was found guilty of writing letters improperly reflecting upon his brother officers and of unlawfully excommunicating a man from military duty and using him as his private servant.

Sentence, "To be reprimanded in orders by the proper authority."

The sentence in the foregoing case of Captain Charles G. Ayres, 10th Cavalry, is approved, with the remark that Captain Ayres has reason to congratulate himself that in awarding the sentence, as in coming to its findings, the court has been most lenient.

The reasoning by which the court reached an acquittal upon the charge laid under the 60th Article of War is not clear. The evidence produced by the defense shows that the offense was committed, but seeks to excuse it by appealing to a spurious something mislabeled a custom of the Service. A custom of the Service cannot exist in violation of the statute law, and the appeal of Captain Ayres in his written defense to an alleged custom in justification of feeding out the forage of the Government and reporting and enlisted man on public duty when he was notoriously performing personal service for the accused, cannot be passed over without rebuke. Such a plea is an unwarranted aspersion on the character of Army officers in general, who deservedly have the reputation of possessing the highest sense of honor.

Notwithstanding their leniency, the findings of the court constitute a reprimand that should be more conducive of good results to the Service than any censure within the power of any reviewing authority. It is hoped that Captain Ayres will accept these findings as they must be regarded by the Army at large, and that no more will be heard of practices which lacked in some cases, in the opinion of the court, only the single element of evil intent to make his expulsion from the Service mandatory.

It is also remarked that the defense set up, that part of the proceeds from the improper use of forage went to benefit the enlisted men, aggravates rather than mitigates the offense. Captain Ayres would scarcely justify a public servant for peculation on the ground that part of the ill gotten gains was given to deserving people.

Capt. Ayres will be released from arrest by the commanding officer Fort Assiniboine, Mont., and returned to the command of his troop.

COLONEL CHAR. J. SPRAGUE, U. S. A., retired, is spending the winter at Oakland, Cal.

CAPTAIN J. W. PULLMAN, Assistant Quartermaster, U. S. A., on a few weeks leave from Fort Monroe, is visiting at 518 13th street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

The President has approved the bill to admit free of duty at San Francisco, where it is to be sold, the wreckage of the ships *Trenton* and *Vandalia*, presented by the United States to the King of Samoa.

VICE-ADMIRAL CARLO ALBERTO RACCIA, who has been appointed Italian Minister of Marine in succession to the late Admiral di Saint Bon, became a *guardia marina* in 1852.

MAJOR E. D. JUDD, U. S. A., retired, who is on an extended trip abroad, was at Colombo, Ceylon, Dec. 11, expecting to sail next day in the *Oruba*, en route to Adelaide, Melbourne, and Sidney, from when he intends to leave for Tasmania, New Zealand, Samoa, Hawaiian Islands and San Francisco, in which city he is due in May next.

LIEUTENANT GEO. W. BURN, 1st U. S. Artillery, a capable young officer now on duty at the Agricultural College, Miss., has been selected for transfer to the Ordnance Department, under the examination of several candidates recently held at the Army Building, New York City.

LIEUTENANT S. M. FOOTE, 4th U. S. Art., at present with his battery at Fort Barrancas, Fla., will go to Chicago for duty at the World's Columbian Exposition as soon as Capt. Peter Leary, 4th Art., now on college duty at Brookings, South Dakota, shall have rejoined the battery.

Of the two Russian officers of high rank who engaged in an unseemly personal encounter over some question of discipline during the summer maneuvers, one, Gen. Riser Kampf, commander of a cavalry division, has been dismissed the service without loss of his military grade; the other, Gen. Svislunoff, commander of an Army corps, has been removed from the active list, but will be allotted a pension and permitted to wear his uniform.



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**RETIREMENT FOR ENLISTED MEN.**

THE appendix of the last annual report of the Inspector-General of the Army contains an important suggestion, which may escape attention by reason of being placed in the appendix. It is that of Colonel Hughes, Inspector-General, relative to the re-enlistment of private soldiers. The colonel plainly shows that the wiser course would be, in time of peace, to discourage, if not prohibit, such re-enlistments. In view of the retirement act, captains feel disinclined to refuse to re-enlist a soldier however useless he may be to the Service. It is to this act, more than anything else, that we owe the presence in the ranks of so many men more or less incapacitated for duty. Colonel Hughes very properly draws the line at non-commissioned officers, who should be encouraged to remain. So long as their pay is inadequate, the retirement act is about the only inducement to their continuance in service.

One thing is certain, the private soldier who does not learn all that should be expected of him as such in three years never will learn. Yet we enlist men at the age of twenty-one, and keep them in the Service for years after they have become use-

less as soldiers, and also unfit for profitable civil employment. Again, these superannuated men keep younger and abler men out of the Service and increase the work of their more capable comrades. With a three years' term of service, and no re-enlistment except in special cases, the country would have the benefit of absorbing annually one-third, say seven thousand, well drilled and disciplined soldiers, in the prime of life. What is equally important, these men could make their living in civil pursuits; they would become breadwinners and add to the wealth of the community. If any additional inducement were needed to secure men's enlistment, or reward them for a tour of service, it would be better and cheaper all round to give it in the shape of a bounty, as was done in the case of volunteers in some of the wars, at the time of discharge. The retirement act was intended to improve the Service. There is grave doubt whether its evils do not outnumber its benefits.

We have before this offered the warning suggestion that the bounty of the country should not be overstrained, as it has been in the matter of pensions for the men who served during the Rebellion. Our bill for pensions is the largest one the country has to pay and it brings our expenditures for war quite up to those of foreign countries with their "bloated military establishments." Foreigners spend their money in training the men of the present generation for war, and incidentally for the more effective discharge of their duties as citizens in private life. We proceed upon the happy-go-lucky principle of ignoring the possibility of war and then when war does come we conduct it in the most unprofessional and wasteful manner and are never done with paying for it. The inevitable result follows, and there is now an obvious reaction against our lavish expenditure in the matter of pensions, as was shown during the last election. As a political factor the old soldier grows less and less important with each recurring year, and with his decadence disappears the popular sentiment that gave him importance.

The members of the regular establishment should take every possible pains to make it clear to Congress and the people that they prefer no claims against the public treasury that are not founded in a just regard for the public service. If a man devotes himself during a life time to the interest of any great corporation having a generous appreciation of its obligations, or is disabled in its service, he is provided for. The head of a great insurance company has just been retired on a pension of \$15,000 a year, and the position of emeritus professor is established by some of our colleges to provide for those who have been worn out in their service. It is right that this principle should be recognized on behalf of our Army and Navy. It has been recognized, and generously recognized. It is well, therefore, that those who profit by this recognition should do all that they can to keep within the clear intent of the law, and not discredit the principle of retirement by overdoing it. The coming Congress promises to be disposed to careful scrutiny of public expenditure, especially for our military establishment. Let us be warned in time.

**BENJAMIN F. BUTLER.**

THE stormy and turbulent career of Benjamin Franklin Butler ended in a peaceful death at Washington on the morning of January 11th. Of him it may be said, as of Ishmael of old, his hand was against every man and every man's hand against him. The bark of the doughty General was, however, often worse than his bite and he seemed to be swayed rather by the love of controversy than by a malevolent spirit. A regular army uniform had upon him the effect of a red rag upon a bull, yet he sent his son to West Point, and when he was once asked during the war why he had so many graduates upon his staff he answered that they were the only men he could find who knew anything of war. As a lawyer, he united a broad knowledge of legal principles and a thorough mastery of legal precedents, with the shifty expedients of a Tombs attorney. As a public man, he seldom if ever rose above the time serving policy, to build with the statesman upon solid foundations for the future. As a soldier, he was more spectacular than



successful, though his freedom from all regard or respect for military principles and precedents on occasion stood him in good stead. The greatest service he rendered his country was when he turned from his fruitless voting for Jefferson Davis, as a candidate for the Presidency before the Charleston Convention, to gird on his militia sword and take the field against the Confederacy. His position at the time as a leader in the Democratic party made the act significant and important.

Those who have served with General Butler in Congress bear testimony to a generous spirit on his part and his readiness to oblige. That he had sensitive points under that rough exterior is proven by his conduct, when, in a case before the U. S. District Court, S. District of New York, the fact was clearly brought to light that the well-known spoon and other stories to Butler's discredit were the concoction of a man once under his command at New Orleans, who had done his best to malign and injure his chief. Gen. Butler bent his head upon his hands and wept like a child. In explanation, he stated that he had long been pursued by these slanders, and supposed that he was proof against them, but when the cloud was lifted from his reputation the reaction proved too much for his stoicism. And when the slanderer had been sentenced by the Court to just punishment, General Butler listened to the pleadings of his wife and interested himself in procuring a mitigation of his punishment.

The good and evil so mingle in each man's nature that only the recording angel can be trusted to justly balance the account. We shall not attempt it with General Butler, nor is it necessary that we should set forth the details of a career which are recorded in every paper in the land.

In a speech in Lowell on Jan. 29, 1890, General Butler said: "When you bear me to that little inclosure on the other side of the river, which I hope for as my last resting place, I pray you put over me for my epitaph:

"Here lies the General who saved the lives of his soldiers at Big Bethel and Fort Fisher, and who never commanded the Army of the Potomac.

"I ask," he said, "for nothing else." General Butler's wealth is estimated at \$7,000,000. His heirs are his son, Paul, and his two nieces, Miss Nesmith and Miss Webster, all of Lowell. Another niece is married to Mayor Palmer of Lowell.

From an examination of the Army Register for 1893, it will be seen that, so far as high rank in the line is concerned, the graduates of the Academy hold less than a third of the commissions, and these mostly in the Artillery. The following table, showing whence appointed, will probably be interesting:

Arm.	Academy.	Civil Life.	Army.
Cavalry.—Colonels.....	5	5	—
Lieut.-Cols.....	2	5	3
Majors.....	1	14	15
Total.....	8	29	18
Artillery.—Colonels.....	4	1	—
Lieut.-Cols.....	5	—	—
Majors.....	7	8	—
Total.....	16	9	—
Infantry.—Colonels.....	8	17	—
Lieut.-Cols.....	4	20	1
Majors.....	—	12	13
Total.....	12	49	14
Grand Total.....	36	87	32

The enlisted men from the Army thus crowd the graduates very closely, while the civilians outnumber both. Of the total numbers of Field officers of the line, sixty-seven served as volunteers in the late war, and sixty-two, exactly forty per cent. rose from the ranks in either the Volunteer or Regular Army.

The Second Comptroller of the Treasury has fallen foul of the contingent fund of the Adjutant-General's Department and refuses to accept vouchers for expenditure from it for newspapers and books. Hast thou no thought, Oh, mighty Comptroller! of the Cimmerian darkness that will now descend upon the headquarters, heretofore illuminated by the weekly visits of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL? No pity for those those relegated to the conditions of gloom preceding the invention of printing and the advent of literature? Possibly, it may be your intent to limit Army reading to the

reports of Second Comptrollers, but is this not a cruel and unusual punishment, such as the Constitution forbids? A recent authority declares that the eloquence and chaste style of Lincoln as a public speaker and writer was due to his constant study of the Bible and Shakespeare, and yet the Comptroller refuses to authorize Colonel Sheridan's expenditure for a copy of Shakespeare, in spite of his eloquent plea that, after the Holy Bible, Shakespeare is "the next greatest necessity in any sort of library." Army officers are beginning to think that the revolt against bosses should extend to the Second Comptroller, and some of them, if ordered from San Francisco to New York, would prefer to follow historic precedents and walk, carrying the regulation baggage, rather than face the awful frown of a Second Comptroller.

The foundation of the Naval War College, at Newport, R. I., and the opening address of Capt. Mahan, have led Capt. Stenzel, of the German Navy, to devote an article to the new college and the significance of its work, in the *Militär-Wochenblatt*. Referring to this article the Army and Navy Gazette says: "He draws attention to Captain Mahan's epoch-making book, and says that officers of the United States fleet have now the opportunity, both by teaching and training, of making the art and science of naval warfare, in its most important sense, their own. Turning to England, Captain Stenzel remarks, that we cannot regard the foundation of the Transatlantic College without envy. While giving the highest credit to the Naval College at Greenwich, and alluding especially to the remarkable power of Professor Lanchester, as a teacher of naval history, he tells us that we, still, like other nations, stand in need of thoroughly combined and complete training for our officers in the art of naval command. The gist of his article is that, as the United States are creating a Navy, the assumed use of which is contemplated for the case of a collision between English and American interests, and as they show no failure in technical respects, it cannot but increase our sense of uneasiness to see the study of naval science, which in a sense we have neglected, and of naval history, of which in its real lessons we know little, being taken up so seriously across the Atlantic. We hope the day is far distant when England and the United States will be at war; but there is truth in what Captain Stenzel says, and the indifference of the English people to the teachings of naval history is at the very root of the matter."

CONSIDERATION of the subject of new ships has been postponed by the House Naval Committee until the Secretary of the Treasury has made a special report concerning the condition of the finances. The committee as a body is decidedly favorable to continuing work on the New Navy, and will bring on a bill for several new ships if the finances justify it. The battleship class will receive first consideration. If there are not funds enough for this, then small gunboats for river service will be considered. Torpedo boats come next, and if these, too, should be barred out because of lack of funds, then the question of increasing the appropriation for the torpedo cruiser, already authorized but not built because the bids received for it exceeded the limit, will receive consideration.

The decision of the Navy Department to classify the armor required for the new ships under different heads, and to receive bids separately under each head, will bring a number of new firms into competition. The principal competitors for the heavy armor will, of course, be the Bethlehem Iron Works and Carnegie, Phipps and Co., but there are a number of firms equipped for turning out sponsons and other light armor who will enter the competition. The Midvale Steel Works will be among the bidders for all the armor below five inches in thickness. The specifications for the new armor contract will be approved by the Secretary of the Navy during the present week. He was in consultation with several of the prospective bidders this week regarding some of the requirements. The Bethlehem Iron Works have expressed themselves as quite satisfied with the new ballistic tests prescribed, although they are much severer than these called for by the old contract.

DURING the year 1892 the number of appointments and promotions in the Army above the rank of 1st Lieutenant, was as follows: To Brigadier-General, four; to Colonel, sixteen; to Lieutenant-Colonel, twenty-seven; to Major, thirty-eight; to Captain, sixty-five; a total of one hundred and fifty. In 1891 there were two promotions to Brigadier-General, sixteen to Colonel, twenty-three to Lieutenant-Colonel, thirty-one to Major, and eighty to Captain; in all one hundred and fifty-two.

We learn from Washington that considerable opposition has been aroused against the bill recently introduced by Senator Chandler (Rep., N. H.), which in its effect makes practically unlawful all military independent organizations in the United States not connected with the National Guard. The regular State militia organizations favor the bill, as they have always resented the assumption of social superiority of the independent organizations. It is a bill that is needed, and it ought to become a law. If men wish to serve as soldiers let them join the Army, or at least the militia, and if they wish to wear a uniform, without subjecting themselves to the restraints of military obligation, let them join the Knights of Pythias or some similar body. Independent military organizations should be prohibited by law and the wearing of uniforms simulating to that of military organizations restricted within proper limits.

THE failure to obtain one of the new ships to build by the Union Iron Works, of San Francisco, is regarded at Washington as a blessing in disguise. The Pacific Coast people will now bend every energy to the passage of a bill for the construction of other additions to the "New Navy," and provision will be made that the "Sloop" shall be sure of getting its share in the development of the National strength.

ON the 1st day of January, 1893, Mr. Lyman D. Morse became a partner with Mr. J. H. Bates in the business of his newspaper advertising agency, and the style will be Bates and Morse Advertising Agency, under which the business will continue to be carried on. All doing business with this excellent house will agree with the senior partner in the statement that the large and prosperous business of this long established agency will be advanced and augmented by this change. Mr. Morse has been associated with Mr. Bates for many years, and for the last three years has practically managed the business with an intelligence, zeal and fidelity which will now have even fuller scope, and acting along the settled conservative lines already established, will not fail to benefit both publishers and advertisers in the future. Mr. Bates is a gentleman well known to and highly respected by the newspaper fraternity, and Mr. Morse has equal claims to confidence.

THE Messrs. Cramp have added another able man to their corps of experts. Chief Engineer Nathan P. Towne is the new acquisition. Mr. Towne is to have charge of the construction of the machinery for the two new vessels, a position for which he is admirably fitted by reason of the fact that the designs for the machinery plants of these vessels were prepared under his direction. Indeed, Mr. Towne has superintended the preparation of the plans for all the new vessels contracted for during the present administration—aggregating nearly 200,000 horse power. Considering that he has not had more than ten days' leave during the entire four years as head of the designing department of the Bureau of Steam Engineering, no one will say that he has not earned the year's leave which has been granted him, and every one will be pleased to learn, although his resignation will be a great loss to the Service, that he has connected himself with a magnificent establishment like the Messrs. Cramp.

THE Chaplains of the Army are expected to accept with Christian (not official) resignation, the decision in Circular 1, A. G. O., of 1893, that they are not entitled to wear the sack coat, or blouse, described in A. R. 1767, as amended by G. O. 68 of 1892, but must continue to wear the orthodox black frock or plain black sack coat.

We learn from Washington that it is the intention soon to replace enlisted employees at post exchanges by civilians. The change, we doubt not, will prove beneficial to the discipline of the Army, if the right kind of civilians can be obtained.

PRIVATE "HENRY YELLOW FACE," Indian Troop L, 3d U. S. Cav., has been appointed a corporal vice Corporal "Sitting Down Talking," reduced. A corporal who talks until he is so exhausted that he has to sit down is properly abated as a nuisance.



The exhibition held this week, in the rooms of the American Art Association, of the paintings and drawings of Frederic Remington, has called the attention of the art loving public for a brief interval to the Army. Mr. Remington revels in cowboys and Indians and trappers, with their wiry bronchos, but he has also pictured on canvas, as no other man has ever done, the heroic side of American Army life. Under the glaring sun of the alkali plain, along the barren mountain trail, in the heart of the pine forest, his creative genius has sought out strange, fantastic scenes that are too unlike and too far from ordinary life for the eye of the peaceful layman to fully appreciate until his attention is directed to them by the hand of genius. No one who has ever seen a war party on the trail, or a herd of buffalo, or a dead soldier, can gaze without feeling upon the rugged lines and touches which make his productions so near to nature. Whatever may be their artistic value, the two large paintings "The Last Lull in the Fight," and "The Last Stand," will create in the soldier's heart the feeling that comes to men in the crisis of reawakened battle. Mr. Remington's great promise as a military artist inspires the hope that he may confine his works in the future as closely to the Army as he has done in the past. If his future years are as progressive as his past he will live to enjoy in America the fame that De Neuville and Detaille have won in France.

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs, has, by request of the Secretary of the Interior, informed the President that in the Commissioner's opinion an Army officer, selected for duty as Indian Agent, should first of all be in sympathy with the present policy of the Government in dealing with its Indian wards; interested in the real welfare and speedy advancement of the Indians, and should seek to render them, as rapidly as possible, independent of Government control. He should be interested in the industrial training of children, and, as he has charge of the disbursements of all funds, should be a good business man. The Commissioner has also recommended that Army Officers placed in charge of Indian Agencies be bonded.

The New York Tribune, referring to its action in the spring of 1891 in publishing an editorial severely criticizing Gen. H. W. Slocum, of Brooklyn, as a most unpatriotic citizen for the manner in which, as it was stated, he had sought to impose a worthless system of electrical propulsion upon his own city, etc., says in a recent issue: "The Tribune now believes that, so far as this article imputed any kind of dishonorable or dishonest conduct against Gen. Slocum, it was without foundation in fact. It has frequently expressed its admiration for his high and brilliant qualities as a soldier and a citizen; and it deeply regrets that it should have been misled by the zeal of public controversy into such an attack upon one who deserves so much of the regard and gratitude of the people for his past services and present high character." Better late than never.

A MAGNIFIQUENT despatch from Halifax, N. S., reported last week that a young man of distinguished appearance, and apparent refinement entered the adjutant's office at the garrison and said: "I have decided to join the British Army, and ask you to accept me. My people are well-to-do, yet my love for the service is such that I will not be satisfied till I become a soldier." He was enlisted, but his father arriving subsequently it transpired that the young man was insane, and that one of his hallucinations was that he must become a soldier. He has been bought out.

It is reliably reported that Private Secretary Halford is the person President Harrison has in view for the majority in the Pay Department, which has become vacant by the recent retirement of Colonel Gibson. It is also rumored that a scheme is on foot to open the way for the appointment in the same corps of Marshall Ramsdell and Mr. Daniel MacCaukey's appointment clerk of the Treasury.

The general opinion appears to be that Daniel S. Lamont will be Mr. Cleveland's Secretary of the Navy.

It is understood that Captain John B. Eaton, the newly-appointed assistant quartermaster, and Captain James N. Allison, 21 Cav., have entered into an arrangement for transfer. The Secretary of War having noted his approval, the nomination will probably go to the Senate during the coming week.

Why does the War Department delay action on the Court-martial case of 2d Lieut. J. E. Dodge, 14th Infantry? Nearly six months have elapsed since he was tried and sentenced to dismissal. The reason given for the delay in acting on the papers is that the Department is waiting for the civil authorities to get through with his trial on charges of burglary. It is difficult to see why this should prevent action in the Court-martial proceedings. The Army is not responsible for his re-appearance before the civil

court since he is out on bail. The effect of keeping him on the Army rolls is to allow him to draw his pay as long as possible. For a time his pay was stopped against him, but influences have recently secured him his back pay, after straightening up the duplications, which formed one of the charges upon which he was retired, and he is now drawing his salary monthly. General Miles has recently written to the War Department urging that the proceedings be approved without further delay.

SECRETARY TRACY will, in a few days, issue orders regarding the command of the naval forces during the naval review. While it has been generally understood that Rear Admiral Gherardi will be in command on that occasion, there have been no orders to that effect, nor has the status of the subordinate commands been defined. There has been an effort made recently to have Acting Rear Admiral Walker placed in command of the review. This effort has failed, and it is intimated that Acting Rear Admiral Walker may ask to be relieved from the command of the North Atlantic rather than serve under orders from Rear Admiral Gherardi. Secretary Tracy's purpose, however, is understood to be to issue orders directing Rear Admiral Gherardi to assume command of the joint forces during the review, and Rear Admiral Benham, as commanding officer of the South Atlantic Squadron, and Acting Rear Admiral Walker, as commanding officer of the North Atlantic Squadron to report to him for instructions. The orders will further direct that upon the expiration of the review Rear Admiral Gherardi will haul down his flag, Acting Rear Admiral Walker will assume command of all the vessels on the North Atlantic Station, and Rear Admiral Benham will proceed to the South Atlantic Station. Unless Congress should appropriate the \$300,000 asked for there is danger that there may be no review. One hundred thousand of this is for navigation, the same amount for equipment and coal, and the remainder will be divided between the preparation of ships, supplies and rations. The funds for balls and dinners, so far as the expense is not imposed upon officers and citizens, will be taken from the appropriation for rations and supplies. The following vessels are expected to take part, viz.: The New York, Baltimore, Newark, San Francisco, Charleston, Philadelphia, Chicago, Atlanta, Yorktown, Concord, Bennington, Detroit, Montgomery, Milantonomah, Kearsarge, Castine, Bancroft, Vesuvius, Dolphin, Cushing and Essex.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

#### WEST POINT.

JANUARY 11, 1893.

To the exclusion of all other interests the examination has claimed the attention of officers and cadets during the week just past, and its conclusion yesterday was welcomed with relief by all. Rarely has an examination resulted as satisfactorily as has this. The standing as determined by the Academic Board has not yet been made public, but it is understood that the ordeal has been safely passed by the entire corps, no cadet having been found deficient, and only five having been given a second subject. All are to be congratulated upon this result. A dramatic entertainment at Mrs. Derby's on Thursday evening and a cadet hop to be given in Grant Hall on Saturday evening are upon the programme for this week. Col. and Mrs. Michie have issued cards for Thursday evenings (8 p. m. to 12) from Jan. 19 to Feb. 23. Col. and Mrs. Hasbrouck made a brief visit at the post last week on their way to Col. Hasbrouck's station, Fort Monroe, Va. They were the guests of Col. and Mrs. Bass.

Miss Comly, daughter of Major Clifton Comly, Ordnance, is visiting Mrs. Michie. Miss Garrard, sister of Mrs. Comly, is a guest of Mrs. Bruff. Miss Michie is visiting Miss Wilson, daughter of Gen. Wilson, at Wilmington, Del.

Following is the standing of the Fourth Class in Mathematics and English:

Applewhite, 52, 33; Ashburn, 80, 71.  
Bell, O. W., 25, 30; Berry, 24, 46; Boyd, 52, 78; Brookfield, 48, 81; Bures, J. U., 60, 65; Burnside, 29, 73; Burt, 41, 85.  
Callan, 5, 24; Chitty, 64, 82; Christian, 12, 10; Dallam, 58, 85.  
Drake, 19, 81.  
England, 2, 7; Eshleman, 73, 83; Evans, 56, 40.  
Farrier, 94, 75; Ferguson, 3, 37; Fuqua, 95, 60.  
Goodale, 58, 87; Grubb, 13, 5; Guignard, 1, 1.  
Hagood, 14, 4; Hall, D. P., 77, 41; Hartshorne, 15, 63; Hatch, 67, 94; Heiberg, 54, 87; Hinkley, 23, 26; Hoffman, 4, 33; Holbrook, 48, 44; Hood, 38, 96; Howard, 34, 13; Hughes, 94, 74; Hunt, J. E., 74, 83.  
Jackson, 11, 9; Jervey, 32, 20.  
Kelly, 37, 2; Kenard, 62, 88; Kennington, 72, 54; Kerwin, 88, 53; Kessler, 42, 14; King, E. L., 44, 23; Kirkpatrick, 40, 23.  
Kochersperger, 43, 45.  
London, 27, 25; Lawrence, 55, 38; Le Blanc, 30, 43; Lewis F. W., 61, 72; Lorber, 92, 81; Lott, 33, 33.  
McClure, 6, 30; McCormack, 23, 80; McDonough, 90, 79; McMillan, 68, 62; McNeil, 54, 78; Miller, 49, 81; Morrison, 10, 19.  
Moses, 24, 29.  
Newell, 34, 11; Nolan, 90, 50.  
Orton, 81, 64.  
Parsons, 71, 63; Patterson, G. T., 8, 3; Pickering, 89, 49.  
Powers, R. B., 65, 64.  
Reisner, 20, 42; Roberts, 70, 55; Rogers, H. S., 85, 84; Russell, 28, 45.  
Saltzman, 21, 53; Seeley, 93, 92; Shelton, 50, 4; Smith, C. T., 84, 21; Smith, F. G., 9, 25; Stacy, 18, 17; Stewart, M. R., 51, 34.  
Stodier, 35, 54; Stokes, 88, 97; Stroud, 66, 77; Stuart, E. R., 36.  
Sumner, 76, 18.  
Tebbetts, 53, 51; Tracy, 91, 47; Tschappat, 7, 27; Tupes, 18, 67; Turman, 79, 38.  
Wade, 75, 95; Wansboro, 45, 59; Whitehead, 17, 15; Whitman, 41, 13; Whyte, W. A., 87, 89; Willard, 62, 16; Work, 78, 68.

Cadet appointments to West Point have been issued during the past week as follows:

John W. Campbell, Shenandoah (13th Dist.), Pa.  
(Alt.) Robert W. Adams, Adamsdale (13th Dist.), Pa.  
Thomas J. Powers, Jr., Philadelphia (5th Dist.), Pa.

(Alt.) John C. Raymond, Philadelphia (5th Dist.), Pa.  
Hubert H. Pinney, Council Bluffs (9th Dist.), Iowa.  
(Alt.) Wm. L. Muroby, Council Bluffs (9th Dist.), Iowa.  
Edgar T. Conley, Fairland (8th Dist.), Md.  
(Alt.) T. S. Offutt, Cabin John (6th Dist.), Md.

SECRETARY OF WAR ELKINS, registered at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York City, on Wednesday.

LIEUTENANT C. B. SATTERLEE, 3d U. S. Artillery, for a long time past on duty with the Georgia Militia, will shortly join O'Hara's Battery at Key West Barracks.

LIEUTENANT-COMMODORE LEONARD CHENRY, U. S. N., is one of the Committee on Lectures and Entertainments of the Sewanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club of New York City.

The following officers have been elected at the 7th Cavalry mess: President, Gen. Forsyth; Vice-President, Capt. Garlington; Secretary and Treasurer, Capt. Fuller.

Mrs. C. N. OFFLEY, wife of Asst. Engr. Offley, of the U. S. S. Chicago, joined her husband at New York last week and expects to remain there until the ship goes to sea.

COLONEL THOMAS M. VINCENT, A. A. G., has resumed at Army Headquarters, after a visit of inspection in the Northwest extending as far as the Presidio of California.

Secretary Elkins, accompanied by Gen. Flagler, left on a visit of inspection to the Frankford Arsenal and the Sandy Hook Proving Grounds. They will be absent until Monday.

At a general meeting of the Military Service Institution, held at Governor's Island, Jan. 11, Major-General John M. Schofield, U. S. A. was re-elected President for the ensuing two years.

CHIEF ENGINEER D. P. MCCARTNEY, U. S. N., has recently taken quarters at the "Oxford," on New York avenue, Washington, D. C., where he and Mrs. McCartney will remain until spring.

It is understood that Capt. T. H. Bliss, the new Assistant Commissary of Subsistence will continue on duty as assistant to General Schofield and Inspector of Rifle practice at Army Headquarters.

Among the recently announced engagements is that of Miss Lily Elliot, daughter of Lieut.-Col. George Elliot, Corps of Engrs., U. S. A., to Mr. Fielding Lewis, of Virginia, a descendant of the family of Washington.

The prevailing cold weather has stopped all experimental work at the Army and Navy Proving Grounds. The acceptance test of the diagonal case-mate armor for the battleship Oregon was to have taken place at Indian Head this week.

CAPTAIN THOMPSON, 3d Inf., who is a guest of Lieut. and Mrs. Poor at Fort Leavenworth, has sufficiently recovered from his severe attack of rheumatism to enable him to move about the quarters. He will soon leave for Hot Springs, Ark.

A FORT SHERMAN correspondent writes: "Among recent elaborate entertainments here was the dinner by Lieut. and Mrs. Leyden, complimentary to their guest, Miss Jack, of Iowa. The invited guests were: General Carlin, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Browne, Capt. Bisbee, Capt. and Mrs. J. H. Bubb, Capt. and Mrs. Thompson, Miss Bubb, Miss Ewing, of Spokane, Lieuts. Lovering, Hall, Reeves and Switzer.

THE Junction City Tribune of a recent date says: There is a report going around that Capt. Grugan will again return to this post and take command of Light Battery A, 2d Art. The rumor is that he will exchange with Capt. Grimes. The old soldiers in the battery speak in the highest terms of Capt. Grugan. He is a strict disciplinarian, but at the same time always looked out for the welfare of his men.

ADMIRAL CERVERA, who has been appointed Minister of Marine in the new Spanish Government, is an able naval officer of the modern school. Although a junior in the list of rear-admirals, he has frequently been intrusted with duties requiring special administrative capacity, his last service being in charge of the Anglo-Spanish shipyard at Bilbao.

COMMISSIONER MORGAN of the Indian Bureau has received a letter from Lewis Miller and fifteen other Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians, members of troop L, 5th U. S. Cav., asking him to intercede in their behalf to secure their discharge from the Army. The Indians say that they are tired of Army life, and can do much better working on their farms. The letter will be referred to the Secretary of War for such action as he may deem proper.

The failure of Lieut. T. Glover Fillette, M. C., to pay certain debts, and to keep a promise to do so after his attention had been called to them by the Navy Department, has brought about an order for his trial by Court-martial on charges of scandalous conduct, and conduct unbecoming an officer, and a gentleman. The court will convene at the Washington Navy-yard on Monday next, and will consist of the following officers: Capt. F. V. McNair, President; Comdr. P. H. Cooper, Maj. P. C. Pope, M. C.; Lieuts. R. T. Jasper, R. G. Davenport, and N. Usher. Capt. B. R. Russell and W. F. Spicer, and L. J. Gullick, M. C. with Lieut. C. H. Lauchheimer, M. C. as Judge Advocate.

#### LATE ARMY ORDERS.

Capt. George W. H. Stouch, 31 Inf., and Lieut. W. D. McAnaney, 8th Cav., are designated to perform duty as Indian agents, the former at Sisseton and Wapeton Agency, South Dakota, and the latter at Fort Belknap Agency, Montana.

The orders assigning Lieut. L. A. Lovering, 4th Infantry, to former agency are revoked.

Lieut. W. H. Hay, 3d Cav., is ordered before the Promotion Board at Fort Riley, Kan.

Sick leave extended to Lieut. Frank M. Caldwell, Troop 31 Cav., one month.

Capt. Wm. Baird, 6th Cav.; Lieut. M. F. Jamar, 13th Inf., and 2d Lieut. Guy H. Preston, 9th Cav., are detailed to special duty in connection with the World's Fair.

Jan. 13. Sergt. O. R. Wolfe was nominated to be second lieutenant of infantry, to date from Nov. 19.



## RECENT DEATHS.

THE death of Captain Wm. Whitehead, which occurred at the League Island Navy-yard, Philadelphia, Jan. 8, deprives the Service of one of its best duty officers. He was a man who had no thought for anything but his profession and his family. Modest, prudent, studious and expert in seamanship, he lived the life of a sailor abroad, and at home that of a gentle friend and brother. His friends will testify that they never knew a man with a simpler, more frugal and happy life. He had child-like simplicity of character that endeared him to others. He took what duties were assigned to him and when off duty returned to his home as a boy might do, and died there, as a child might in the arms of its mother.

Captain Whitehead was the son of Dr. Coburn Whitehead, of Philadelphia, and a member of one of the old Quaker families of that city. Born in 1840, he entered the Naval Academy in 1856 from Philadelphia. On graduation in 1860 he went to China, and was recalled at the outbreak of hostilities, raised to master in 1861, and attached to the steam sloop *Dacotah*. He joined the West India squadron in the same year, serving aboard the steam gunboat *Sonoma*. In 1862 he obtained his lieutenantcy after service on the James River. On board the ironclad steamer *Passaic* he served with the South Atlantic blockading squadron. He was off Charleston in 1863 and 1864. He was on board the flagship *Pawnee* in the engagement in Stone River with the batteries on James Island July 3 to July 6, 1864, and in Togoda Creek, Feb. 9, 1865. When the *Monadnock* was sent on her trip round the Horn to California, under command of Captain Bunce, conveyed by the fleet of Admiral Rogers, Lieutenant-Commander Whitehead was chosen for his admirable qualities to aid in this first attempt to take a monitor on an extended voyage. He was attached in 1866 and 1867 to the *Saco* and *Kearsarge* in the Atlantic, and in 1868 to the *Dacotah* in the South Pacific, then to the steam frigate *Powhatan*. In 1873 he was stationed at the Philadelphia Navy-yard, in 1874 made commander while with the *Nipsic* in China, and stationed at the New York Navy-yard in 1875. In China again the following year, he volunteered to bring home the *Fantic*, a vessel very dangerous from dry-rot, and by lightening her of her guns brought her safe into port. He served two years at the Norfolk navy-yard, and during 1881-3 commanded the *Quinnebaug* in the Mediterranean. During the troubles at Alexandria, which ended with the bombardment of that city by the British fleet, he saved the life of Mrs. Stone, wife of the American officer Stone Bey, by threatening the authorities to shell the town if she were not surrendered at once. Promoted to captain in 1887, he was given command in 1890 of the *Baltimore*, then on the Pacific coast. Capt. Whitehead was never married. He leaves a mother, Mrs. Coburn Whitehead, aged 84; a sister, Mrs. Palmer, and a brother, Gerard Irvine Whitehead, a well-known lawyer of New York. He was a member of the Loyal Legion, the New York Yacht Club, and the University Club. The funeral was held at 11.30 A. M. on Wednesday, at St. James's Church, Philadelphia. His disease was pneumonia.

MRS. MALLORY, mother of Lieut. John S. Mallory, 2d U. S. Inf., A. D. C. to Gen. Wheaton, died recently in Jackson, Tenn.

COLONEL CHARLES E. LIVINGSTON, a distinguished officer of New York Volunteers during the war, died Jan. 4, at Thomasville, Ga.

MRS. McDONALD, widow of Rear Admiral McDougal, U. S. N., died in Washington, D. C., Jan. 8. The remains have been taken to California for interment. Rear Admiral McDougal died in August 7, 1882, at San Francisco.

THE Rev. Theodore P. Barber, rector of Christ Church, Cambridge, Md., died Jan. 1. His wife and sons, one of whom is Lieut. Henry A. Barber, 1st U. S. Cavalry, were with him when he died. He had been rector of Christ Church for 44 years.

MRS. FANNY MITCHELL LEVY, who died Jan. 10, was married in 1848 to Capt. Jonas P. Levy, who was appointed commander of the port of Vera Cruz on its surrender by Gen. Winfield Scott. On Mrs. Levy's bridal trip she opened the ball given to Henry Clay by the citizens of New Orleans, with Gen. Gaines as her escort. She had for many years presided over her eldest son's home, Monticello, Va., which has been the family homestead since the death of Thomas Jefferson. In 1888 she received President Cleveland and his Cabinet when he visited Monticello. Last autumn she received the Daughters of the American Revolution, and presided at the grand colonial ball given to them at Monticello, at which the minut was danced by the descendants of the original signers of the Declaration of Independence.

THE sudden death of Edmund Helseth, sergeant, U. S. M. C., which took place on Dec. 26, while being carried from his quarters at Mare Island Bks., to the hospital by his comrades, was a great loss to the command and the corps. Deceased was born in Christians, Norway, and was in his 54th year. In his early life he followed the sea and became a qualified navigator, later being a fluent linguist, speaking and writing five languages. He was from 1860 to 1881 official interpreter at Castle Garden, New York. Joining the Marine Corps in Philadel-

phia in 1881, he reached the Pacific Coast in the U. S. S. *Hartford* in 1883, and in 1885 was transferred to Mare Island Barracks, from which time he filled the responsible position of clerk in charge of accounts, performing his duty to the last, refusing all medical aid. Courteous, talented, genial and possessing many sterling qualities as a man, his fidelity and affability won for him the respect of his officers and the endearment of his associates. He was buried with all military honors in the little naval cemetery on the island at 3 P. M., Dec. 27, and a handsome tribute of his comrades will mark his last resting place. W. G. W.

## NEW PUBLICATIONS.

We have received a copy of the twenty-fourth annual issue of the *Public Ledger Almanac*, of Philadelphia, Pa. No care or expense have been spared to make it eminently trustworthy, and it is furnished free of cost.

In "*Chattanooga*" and "*Chickamauga*," companion volumes, Mr. F. A. Mitchell weaves an interesting romance of the war, which possesses all the more charm from the fact that the author is a son of the late Gen. O. M. Mitchell, so well known to the survivors of that conflict. His book tells us that when, as a youngster, he was an aide-de-camp on his father's staff in North Alabama, he little thought that one of his own experiences in looking down towards Chattanooga would furnish him, 30 years later, with the opening incident of a story. A Union soldier, employed as a spy, visits the house of a Confederate in disguise, passing himself off as a countryman. A young lady discovers by his language that he is a man of education, and he confesses his errand. It is a case of love at first sight, and she is compelled to exercise her wits to prevent his true character from becoming known to others. She has been betrothed to a Southern officer, who, on finding that he does not possess her affections, not only gives her up, but generously saves the Union spy from capture. The story ends with the marriage of the two lovers. In "*Chickamauga*," which is a sequel, the tables are turned. A sister of the Southern officer is then the spy, in the Confederate service, and her life is saved by the Union officer, who is expelled in disgrace for this act, but redeems himself by gallantry at Chickamauga, having obtained an opportunity to fight for his flag there. The Star Book Company, 202 Broadway, publish the two volumes, in paper covers. They are simply told stories of love and adventure, by one who knows how to make his topography, history and movements of troops conform to the facts.

We are in receipt of the following new publications:

"Selected Papers from the Transactions of the Canadian Military Institute, 1891-92, viz.: Lower Canada during 1810-14, Mr. Benj. Sulte; With the Indian Contingent in India, Surg. Maj. W. Napier Keefe; The Growth of a Military Spirit in Cavalry, Lt. Col. W. R. O'Brien, M. P."

The first paper is an interesting account of our relations with Canada during the war of 1812 from the Canadian point of view.

"Army and Navy Year Book, Compiled by Comdr. C. H. Rockwell, U. S. N. Philadelphia: L. R. Hamersly and Co."

This is a volume giving a variety of information concerning matters of interest to the Army and Navy, interspersed with advertisements appropriate to such a publication. Lieut. Frank L. Winn, U. S. A., contributes an article on "torpedoes and submarine mines."

"Electricity and Magnetism, being a series of advanced primers of electricity, by Prof. Edwin J. Houston, A. M.; author of a Dictionary of Electrical Words, terms and phrases; Elements of Physical Geography, etc., Original Papers on Dynamo Machinery and allied subjects, by John Hopkinson, M. A., D. Sc., C. E., R. S. New York: The W. J. Johnston Company (Limited)."

Mr. Houston's volume contains 18 primers on subjects relating to the various sources and phenomena of static and current electricity and magnetism, with practical deductions and applications. Mr. Hopkinson's papers are on electro-technical subjects, "most of which have marked eras in the advance of electric science." They are now for the first time brought together, with the authorization of Dr. Hopkinson.

"Information from Abroad. Notes on the Year's Naval Progress. Annual of the Office of Naval Intelligence."

The character of this work is well known to our readers and we have from time to time noticed the work of the Office of Naval Intelligence, which excites the envy and admiration of foreign critics. This volume is the eleventh in the series. Included in the volume is a chapter on the naval manœuvres in 1891.

"The Century Illustrated Monthly Magazine, May, 1892, to October, 1892. St. Nicholas: An Illustrated Magazine for Young Folks. Conducted by Mary Mapes Dodge. Volume XIX, Parts I and II. The Century Co., New York. Large 8vo. 960 pp. Price, \$4."

The Century has now discarded war series, and war controversies, and settled down into the fragrant paths of peace, but it has by no means lost its interest, even for military readers, and this semi-annual volume is as rich as those preceding in the literature of fancy, fact and fiction. The *St. Nicholas* is no less interesting to the adult than to the young for whom it is intended, as is evidenced by the testimonials to its value offered by such capable judges as Oliver Wendell Holmes, Mrs. Burton Harrison, John Hay, Thomas Bailey Aldrich, Frank R. Stockton, George W. Cable and others of like fame. With Dr. Holmes, we may say that it makes one homesick for far off boyhood and childhood, and we share Mr. Aldrich's feeling of pity for his own boyhood, which had no such wholesome and delightful little magazine. Mrs. Dodge is the fairy god-mother who brings good gifts to every household, or at least to those which give proof of merit by subscribing for *St. Nicholas*.

SECRETARY ELKINS has authorized an interesting summer trip for Lieut.-Col. Charles Greenleaf, Deputy Surgeon General. He has been detailed as a delegate to the Eleventh International Medical Congress to convene at Rome, Italy, on Sept. 24 next, before which he will read a valuable paper on physical training. He has also practically carte blanche to visit all over the continent, with the view to studying the Hospital and Medical branches of the various foreign armies.

## THE STATE TROOPS.

## Seventh New York.—Col. D. Appleton.

Co. A, Capt. Conover, at its drill on Jan. 6, paraded 25 files, double rank. The formation was exactly on the minute of 8, but in effecting this, it was done in accordance with par. 158 instead of par. 157. The company was exercised in various movements in the school of the company including movements by platoon. In executing the fronts into line it was noticed the rear ranks of each four, before arriving on the line would invariably close up to facing distance. This is wrong, as each rear rank should retain its distance of 44 inches, until the front rank arrives on the line. The movements generally, including the oblique, march by flanks, abouts and by platoons were finely executed. The manual on the march was very good, and the men covered well. Co. H, Capt. Lydecker, drilled on the same evening as A, and it paraded 40 files double rank. The same remarks made regarding formation of A, apply to H. The movements were also similar, but in the fronts into line of H the fours came on the line correctly. With this exception there was little or nothing to choose between the drill of either company. The distances and intervals as a rule were most correctly kept in both companies. Arrangements for the trip to Washington are progressing. The regiment will leave in two trains of ten cars each. Commissary Schuyler will provide rations as near the basis of the Peekskill ration as possible. Cocks will be taken, and in Washington the regiment will eat its meals in a large market, secured for the purpose. The train will be quartered right in the city near the Smithsonian Institution.

First Sergeant Austin E. Preesinger, Co. B, was unanimously elected 3d Lieutenant on Jan. 10.

## 12th New York.—Col. Dowd.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Officers the following civil officers and committees were elected: Treasurer, Capt. F. Roosevelt; Secretary, Lieut. H. G. Palma. Capt. W. H. Murphy, who has occupied the latter position since 1864, declined re-nomination, as he has applied to be placed on the supernumerary list. Capt. W. H. Kirby, the former Treasurer, has also done likewise. The latter, in relinquishing his office, turns over to his successor the largest amount of funds in the history of the regiment. The committees appointed were: Armory.—Capt. Roosevelt, Lieut. Blake and Butt. Financial.—Maj. Leonard, Capt. Borland and Lt. Warren. Music.—Surg. Henry, Capt. Roosevelt and Lt. Morris. State of the Regiment.—Capt. Burns, Smith, Lt. Weber. Co. F will shortly elect T. Deany, Jr., 3d Lt. The latter is highly recommended, having been colonel of the Berkeley Cadets, and a captain of a company at Yale College. H. S. Clark was elected 1st Lieut. of Co. D on Jan. 11, and will bring in twenty recruits. L. R. Banks was elected 2d Lieut. The aggregate strength of the regiment for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1892, was 610 against 608 the previous quarter. Co. B has won the Butt trophy with 148 1/2 per cent. Lieut. E. H. Hardin, U. S. A., Capt. W. C. Fisk, 7th N. Y., and Capt. N. B. Thurston, 2d N. Y., have been selected as Judges in the competitive drill between Cos. C and H to be held next March.

## Twenty-second New York.—Col. Camp.

A series of band concerts will be given by each company, under the auspices of the regimental band, commencing in a few weeks. An inter-company team shot at the armory range will also be arranged for shortly. Co. K, Capt. Hart, will give a dinner at Coarles on Jan. 18. Co. I, Capt. Homer Bostwick, has received its supply of equipments, and has commenced drilling with a full attendance. This company was only recently organized and is making excellent progress. Capt. Wm. J. Hussey, Co. H, has resigned. He was an energetic and capable officer and first joined as a private in Co. F on Oct. 12, 1885; he was promoted 2d Lieutenant, April 8, 1888; captain and I. R. P., July 7, 1890, and captain, Co. H, Jan. 23, 1891. Capt. Hussey worked hard for the interests of his company, and under his administration it has held its place among the best drilled and most prosperous in the regiment. Lieut. C. C. Cassidy will probably succeed him.

## Twenty-third New York.—Col. J. N. Partridge.

The review of the regiment, scheduled to be held at the armory on Jan. 14, has been postponed on account of the inability of ex-Colonel Everdell who was tendered the review to be present. It will be held on Jan. 21, and Judge Calvin E. Pratt, the second colonel of the regiment, will be reviewing officer. The Board of Officers have elected the following civil officers: President, Col. J. N. Partridge; Recording Secretary, Lieut. E. M. Barnum; Financial Secretary, Capt. H. L. Cochran; Treasurer, Lieut. G. E. Hall. Co. A will have its annual dinner at the Arena in New York City, at a date to be determined later, and will also attend Harrigan's Theatre. A presentation of a trip to Buffalo is to be repeated. Co. I will give a stag on Jan. 28.

## Forty-seventh New York.—Col. Eddy.

The regiment assembled at its armory for review and presentation of marksmen's badges on Tuesday evening, Jan. 10. The night was bitter cold, keeping away many guests who would have otherwise attended. The regiment was formed in two battalions of four companies, of 12 files each. There was considerable delay in forming the several companies in single rank, and then in double rank. There were many late comers, and the companies were faced to the right, in some cases several times, and, of course, the fours were recounted every time a new man fell in the ranks. The companies should fall in according to par. 157, which is in double rank, and much time would be saved. In the inspection of the companies at the command open ranks the file closers remained in their position until the command march, instead of taking their proper positions at the command open ranks, falling back at the same time as does the right and left guides. At the adjutant's call the regiment was formed in line, the guides of the companies not exercising good judgment in taking their position in the line. When it was formed there was entirely too much distance between the several companies of the battalions. The 1st Battalion was commanded by Lt. Col. W. H. Hubbell, and the 2d by Maj. W. R. Pettigrew. Adj. Lt. Walter F. Barnes turned the regiment over to Col. J. G. Eddy, and it was reviewed by Brig. Gen. B. M. Whitlock, during which ceremony the command looked well and men steady. The passage in review was very good, as was that of the officers. After the passage the command broke into columns of fours, but the companies lost distance, and when the command fours left was executed to reform line there were wide gaps between the companies, the distances, however, being much better preserved in the second battalion than in the first. The regiment was then dismissed and reformed for parade in full ranks. The formation was very prompt and the manual of arms very good. Sharpshooters' and marksmen's badges were presented to 255 officers and men. Among the recipients of sharpshooter's badges were Maj. Pettigrew, Lt. Englehardt, Capt. Quick, Lieut. Count and Christoffel.

A reception followed, during which the regimental band played several fine selections. The affair was a great success and the committee deserve thanks for their skillful management.

## PENNSYLVANIA.

COL. HERMAN OSTHAUS, the General Inspector of Rifle Practice, shows in his annual report that the National Guard of the State has again made great progress in the art of rifle shooting. Gov. Pattison and Adj.-Gen. Greenleaf both qualified as marksmen upon the State range at Mt. Gretna in September inst. Out of a total number of 8,500 officers and men, 6,507 were this year qualified as marksmen,



and of this number 726 qualified as sharpshooters, with scores of at least 45 out of a possible 50. The rain in marksmen this year is 753. This result is looked upon as an excellent one, considering that the long service at Homestead interfered much with rifle practice. The following is a comparative table of 1891 and 1892:

Organization.	Sharpshooters.		Marksmen.	
	1891.	1892.	1891.	1892.
Governor and staff.....	3	2	7	7
Div. Commander and staff.	—	—	4	4
<i>First Brigade.</i>				
Commander and staff.....	2	3	6	4
1st Troop.....	4	1	38	49
Battery A.....	4	3	6	38
Gray Invincibles.....	5	—	32	36
State Fencibles.....	15	8	94	164
1st Regiment.....	102	59	349	540
2d Regiment.....	26	39	160	389
3d Regiment.....	12	8	96	218
6th Regiment.....	45	19	261	309
<i>Second Brigade.</i>				
Commander and staff.....	1	1	3	1
Sheridan Troop.....	22	16	26	34
Battery B.....	10	8	25	38
5th Regiment.....	126	96	316	330
10th Regiment.....	50	20	282	213
14th Regiment.....	59	22	260	274
15th Regiment.....	30	20	275	329
16th Regiment.....	117	49	211	376
18th Regiment.....	45	26	272	288
<i>Third Brigade.</i>				
Commander and staff.....	3	3	4	4
Governor's Troop.....	15	13	33	37
Battery C.....	4	1	38	40
4th Regiment.....	71	49	290	344
8th Regiment.....	92	58	402	452
9th Regiment.....	59	36	372	366
12th Regiment.....	191	95	349	399
15th Regiment.....	166	69	310	411

#### MISSOURI.

BRIG. GEN. MILTON MOORE, commanding the 1st Brigade, in his annual report to Adj. Gen. Wickham, shows the strength of the brigade to be 147 officers and 1,940 men. The 1st Regt. at St. Louis, Col. M. C. Wetmore, with 474 men; the 2d Regt. at Carthage, Col. W. K. Chaffee, with 507 men; the 3d Regt. at Kansas City, Col. L. E. Irwin, with 436 men, and the 4th Regt. at Brookfield, Col. J. A. Arbutnot, with 429 men. Outside of the regiments is the unattached Co. D, Capt. A. C. Kinsland, with 63 men; the unattached Co. K,

Capt. A. C. Wagar, with 49 men of Kansas City; Battery A. of St. Louis, Capt. F. M. Hamblin, with 63 men, and Battery B. of Kansas City, Capt. Wm. M. Abernathy, with 61 men.

During the past year the militia has not been called into active service, and on account of the inadequate appropriations of the Legislature it did not assemble in a camp of instruction. A provisional regiment of eight companies selected from the four regiments attended the dedication of the World's Fair buildings.

It is urged that appropriations be voted to build armories for the different regiments. The insecurity and expense of renting armories makes this step almost necessary.

Gen. Moore advocates that the present military code should be thoroughly revised, and a bill to this effect is to be submitted to the Legislature.

#### MASSACHUSETTS.

ADJ. GEN. SAMUEL DALTON in his annual report for the year ending Dec. 31, among other things, says:

Some progress has been made by the military force during the year, notwithstanding the fact that an almost entire change in the Drill Regulations has been adopted, which was expected for a time to retard progress. The ready adaptation to the change by the militia, and the advancement made in the new departure, shows the zeal and untiring efforts made on the part of all to place the service of the State on a footing of efficiency, and is deserving of great commendation, showing, as it does, the reliance which the State can confidently place in the faithfulness of her soldiery in any event calling for its service. The events of the year in other States demonstrate the necessity of effective force, and in order that the troops of Massachusetts may, in the event of a call, respond in a fitting manner, they should be supplied with the equipment necessary to enable them to take the field for any service required of them. In this equipment the State is greatly deficient.

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The department of rifle practice has been conducted under the admirable management of Col. Wm. L. Chase, Inspector General Rifle Practice, with gratifying success.

In referring to the camp duty of the 1st Regt. of Infantry, Col. Thos. R. Mathews commanding, at

Fort Warren, from Aug. 8 to 13 inclusive, Gen. Dalton says:

Nothing could exceed the kindly interest in, and the readiness to impart instruction to, the regiment, by Maj. Sinclair, the post commander, and the officers and men of his command. The only opportunity within reach for artillery practice is at this fort, and available only upon the consent of U. S. authority. The disadvantages under which this regiment is called upon to labor is consequently apparent. The attention of the Secretary of War has been called to this untoward circumstance, and a request made for suitable ordnance for the use of the regiment in armory. If said request is not granted, recourse must be had to the State for wooden models of modern guns for drill purposes. The importance of this measure cannot be overestimated, and it is recommended that the State furnish the necessary equipment as far as possible for use the present winter.

New Army blouses and fatigue caps have been obtained during the year from the General Government, cap devices have been purchased and an appropriation is asked for a field equipment which is badly needed. Supplies to the amount of \$27,565.90 have been drawn from the United States appropriation for the militia and \$4,812.53 remains to the credit of Massachusetts. The Naval Battalion, M. V. M., had a further credit of \$3,690.07, from which it has obtained its armament, and the monitor *Pas-saic* has been placed at its disposal. With 225 officers and men, it has from the Navy Department nearly one-half that allowed by the War Department for 5,600 and men of the State militia. "All appeals to Congress by the States for the appropriation to the War Department of a sum more commensurate with the needs of the Service have thus far proved unavailing, and the States still continue to bear the greater expense and burden in the maintenance of a defensive force for the country."

The following recommendations are made by Gen. Dalton:

That the changes in the militia laws, rendered necessary by a change in drill regulations adopted for the government of the Army, may be made as early as possible in the interests of the militia.

That the advisability of the issue of leggings to the militia be considered.

That the State force should at the earliest possible day be placed on such a proper footing as to equipment as will render it equal to any call.

That, by the excavation of a pond on the State Camp ground (a measure practicable), bathing facilities may be furnished the troops.

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## NAVAL BATTALIONS.]

**Illinois.**—Senator Hamer has introduced a bill in the Senate, which provides for the establishment of a State naval militia. The bill provides that "there shall be allowed, in addition to the companies of the military code of Illinois, as now provided by law, not more than eight divisions of companies of naval militia, four of which shall constitute a battalion, to be known as the first and second battalions of the naval militia of Illinois." Provision is then made for the various officers of the State navy, their rank, etc.

**Maryland.**—The oyster navy of the State have been organized into a naval militia.

## MAINE.

Gov. Cleaves, of Maine, has appointed his staff, as follows: Brig.-Gen. Seiden Connor, to be adjutant-general and ex-officio quartermaster-general and paymaster-general; Brig.-Gen. Winfield S. Choate, of Augusta, to be inspector-general; Col. Thomas P. Shaw, of Portland, commissary-general; Col. Frederick C. Thayer, of Waterville, surgeon-general; Col. Wm. H. Folger, of Rockland, judge advocate-general; Lieut.-Col. Charles H. Prescott, of Biddeford; Isaiah K. Stetson, of Bangor; Wm. M. Whitmarsh, of Norway, and Gilman P. Lombard, of Belfast, aides-de-camp; Major Albert G. Rollins, of Portland, military secretary. Gen. Connor fully represents the whole State, as stated in a petition signed by many prominent people. Col. Choate, the inspector-general, was a lieutenant-colonel in the militia and an accomplished officer. Col. Shaw has had a large experience in the Maine militia as quartermaster and in other positions. Col. Thayer is a distinguished surgeon. Col. Folger served with distinction during the war. Lieut.-Col. Stetson is president of the Bangor Republican Club. Lieut.-Col. Prescott is the proprietor and editor of the Biddeford Journal. Lieut.-Col. Whitmarsh served through the war. Lieut.-Col. G. P. Lombard is a war veteran and a leading citizen of Waldo county. Major Albert G. Rollins is a well-known business man of Portland.

## VARIOUS.

Lieut. C. A. Carscallan, Co. C, 9th N. Y., was elected Captain on Jan. 9.

Co. H, 9th N. Y., Capt. Silsby, will give a ball at Maennerchor Hall, 207 East 56th Street, on the evening of February 10.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Officers, 71st N. Y., Capt. P. S. Tilden was chosen secretary, and Lieut. W. L. Hazen, Treasurer. It was decided that a vote should be taken among the different companies on the project of a trip to Washington on March 4 next.

The nineteenth annual dinner of the Veteran Association of the 47th N. Y. will be held at the Hotel St. George, corner Clark and Hicks streets, Brooklyn Heights, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 24. Distinguished speakers will be present and good singing will be a feature of the occasion. The committee in charge are F. E. Shipman, W. E. Banks, Jos. Hart, R. F. Christoffel, J. J. Gillies, F. J. Le Count and J. M. Ranken.

The officers for the 23d N. Y. Vet. Vol. for 1893 are: President, James Ross; 1st vice president, John Hayes; 2d vice president, Jos. Hyde; treasurer, John Boyle; financial secretary, Henry E. Griz; recording secretary, Wm. J. Darbey; sergeant-at-arms, Con Tubbs; monumental treasurer, Timothy J. Croeden.

The *Countersign*, a 4th Brigade Paper, is the name of a monthly military paper, which for a year or so has been published by the board of officers of the 14th Regt. of Buffalo. It has been made a brigade paper, issued under the management of Lieut. George T. Bowman, 74th Regt.

The 8th N. Y., Col. George D. Scott, will assemble for review at its armory on Thursday evening, Jan. 19, for review by the Hon. David A. Hoody, Mayor of Brooklyn, and at the same time the resolutions adopted by the Board of Aldermen of Brooklyn, complimentary to the regiment, will be presented. A reception will follow the ceremonies.

The Code Committee of the New York National Guard Association, composed of Col. Welch of the 65th Regiment, Lieut.-Col. Smith, of the 23d; Maj. Bartlett, of the 22d; Capt. Basquin, of the 3d Battery, and Capt. Arthur M. Murphy, 15th Separate Company, met in New York City, to consider amendments to the Military Code to be offered to the Legislature.

Adjt.-Gen. Greenland, of Pennsylvania, announces that during the months of January, February and March of this year, there will be made, by the brigade inspectors, under the direction of the Inspector-General, an inspection of the several organizations, in their armories. Special attention will be given by the brigade inspectors to the armories, their condition and location, also to the condition of the blankets, great coats, blanket bags, canteens and haversacks.

Capt. Alberto Cappa, the distinguished bandmaster of the 7th N. Y., died at his home in New York City, Jan. 6. The funeral was held Jan. 9, a delegation of the regiment, members of the Lafayette Post, G. A. R., and the Thirteenth Club being in attendance. Cappa had a well-deserved reputation all over the United States, and his band could hardly be equalled. Bandmaster Cappa had a most extensive repertoire and used excellent judgment in his selections. He was a man of gentlemanly instincts, with many friends.

The Detroit Light Infantry, Vetera Corps, Capt. H. F. Eberts, have elected the following committees for the year 1893: Entertainment.—Hon. E. H. Butler, Col. H. M. Durfield, Cash. P. Taylor, Hon. A. G. Boynton, H. G. Feichheimer. Application.—John B. Dickson, John A. Dick, John A. Dick, John F. McMillan. Grievance.—Capt. H. H. Hodgson, Jas. H. Waithe, Jas. H. Glover, L. C. Hamner. Commissioned Officers.—Capt. H. F. Eberts, Lieut. A. P. T. Benneau, Lieut. C. C. Starkweather.

At the session of the officers' school of Vermont, held at Rutland, Jan. 5, there was a full attendance of officers. Lt. F. C. Kimball, U. S. A., of Saxton's River Academy, gave some instruction in battalion drill. Lieut. G. W. Gabel, U. S. A., of Norwich University, and Capt. H. B. Foster, U. S. A., of the Burlington University, gave the officers some suggestions regarding tactics. The question of going to Chicago during the World's Fair was discussed. The dis-

cussion related to the time of going, and resulted in the adoption of the following resolutions: Resolved, That the vote taken yesterday relative to the time of the encampment of the Vermont National Guard at Chicago, was but an expression of preference, and that the month of May or any time after the middle of July, will best accommodate the largest number of members of the Vermont National Guard.

One of the last tasks of Capt. Albert Gallup, the late Park Commissioner, was the preparation of a Hand-book of Military Signaling, which is to be published immediately by D. Appleton and Co. Capt. Gallup was the signal officer of the 1st Brigade of the National Guard of New York. At the request of Adjt.-Gen. Porter, the sheets of this book were examined and approved by Gen. Greely, U. S. A., Chief Signal Officer, and the book is recommended by him "as the authorized hand-book for the use of the National Guard of New York." Adjt.-Gen. Porter has issued an order stating that the book "has been approved by the Commander-in-Chief, and the rules prescribed therein will be strictly observed."

Gov. Morris, of Connecticut, has appointed his staff, to take rank from Jan. 4, 1893, as follows: Edward E. Bradley, of New Haven, to be adjutant-general; John P. Marbles, of Hartford, to be quartermaster-general; Patrick Cassidy, of Norwich, to be surgeon-general; Wm. Jamieson, of Middletown, to be commissary-general; Henry A. Bishop, of Bridgeport, to be paymaster-general; Charles S. Andrews, of Danbury; Salmon A. Granger, of Winchester; Louis F. Heublein, of Hartford, and H. Holton Wood, of Derby, to be aides-de-camp, with rank of colonel. Adjt.-Gen. Bradley announces the following appointments: John G. Reely, of New Haven, to be A. A. G., and James T. Sherman, of Hartford, to be A. Q. M. G.

Major James P. Frost, A. I. G. of Rifle Practice, 2d Brigade, Massachusetts, died at his home Jan. 6, of heart failure. He was an expert rifle shot. He won all the cavalry matches during his stay in that branch of the service, whether at short or mid range, with the carbine; and his magnificent record at the latter ranges with the United States Springfield carbine is said to have never been equalled in this country. He had a long list of victories to his credit. In October, 1891, he took the Massachusetts team to Chicago, where his remarkable victory over the great Army team of the Division of the Missouri, the 33d U. S. Infantry, and seven State teams is recorded as the most work ever shown by a body of riflemen in America. As a team captain he was regarded as one of the best in America. He was a member and for many years the adjutant of the Old Guard of Massachusetts. He was deeply interested in all pertaining to rifle practice, and as a coach and range officer had few superiors. At the time of his death he was financial editor of the Boston Globe. His first venture in newspaper work was as a correspondent of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL.

## COMING EVENTS.

We have received notification of the following:  
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Jan. 19.—Review of 8th N. Y. at armory.

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Jan. 20.—Reception, Co. I, 71st N. Y., at Jaeger's, Madison avenue and 59th street.  
 Jan. 21.—Star of Co. I, 23d N. Y., at armory.  
 Jan. 21.—Regimental stag 13th N. Y. at armory.  
 Jan. 21.—Review of 23d N. Y. at armory.  
 Jan. 24.—Review of 1st Battalion, 71st N. Y., at armory.  
 Jan. 24.—Annual dinner, Veterans 47th N. Y.  
 Jan. 25.—Review of 12th N. Y. at armory.  
 Jan. 25.—Review of 22d N. Y., at armory.  
 Feb. 2.—Ball and exhibition drill of Co. E, 69th N. Y., at Lyceum Opera House.  
 Feb. 2.—Review of 18th N. Y. at armory.  
 Feb. 2.—Ball of Co. C, 69th N. Y., at Turn Hall.  
 Feb. 10.—Ball of Co. H, 9th N. Y., at Maennerchor Hall.  
 Feb. 17.—Mounted tournament Troop A, N. Y., at armory.  
 Feb. 21.—Annual ball of the Non-Commissioned Officers' Association 13th N. Y., at armory.  
 Feb. 22.—Concert and ball, Co. D, 14th N. Y.  
 March 17.—Ball of Co. A, 69th N. Y., at Tammany Hall.

### ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

T. R. S.—See editorial article on Pay Department, U. S. Army, in JOURNAL of Jan. 7, p. 332.

San Diego asks: Where can I obtain pictures, plans and the armament of our Navy, or a good history with pictures, etc., of the same? **Ans.**—Write to Secretary of the Navy for his annual reports since 1887.

O. S.—There are now 24 paymasters of the Army with the rank of major, thus leaving one vacancy. It is scarcely necessary to add that there is considerable anxiety in Army circles and possibly in some civilian circles to know who is to be appointed to the vacancy.

Ex-Soldier asks: Are there any more vacancies in the ranks of the Columbian Guard or police force of the Chicago World's Fair? **Ans.**—We presume there are still vacancies. Write to Col. Edmund Rice, commanding Columbian Guard, Chicago, Ill.

N. G. S. M. asks if the "long service decoration" awarded to the National Guard of New York is a State decoration, and, if so, was it made one by General Orders or by legislative enactment? **Ans.**—No. The long service medals in question are awarded at the expense of the several organizations.

J. W.—Your general education seems to be good, and with a little hard study doubtless you would pass the Board for a commission. A knowledge of the Constitution of the U. S. is essential. Your handwriting is fair, but might be improved. A study of Cooley's Constitutional Law and of Davis's International Law would benefit you; also any good modern geography.

M. B. G.—Par. 1,413 of the Regulations, as amended by G. O. 73, of 1890, is specific. That paragraph says: "Subsistence stores shall be sold on credit to enlisted men on written permits signed by their respective company commanders, but such permits shall not be given to any enlisted man in excess of the amount of unaccounted pay due him, nor in any month in excess of the amount of his monthly pay."

H. W. A. asks: 1. Do the New Regulations in regard to promotion from the ranks require a man to have served two years in the ranks before he can take the preliminary examination, or do they mean two years only before the final examination? **Ans.**—He must have served at least two years before he can take the preliminary examination. Certainly one who hopes to become a commissioned officer should be able to read understandingly the provisions and requirements as set forth in G. O. 70, A. G. O., of 1892.

2. Is a man serving in a light battery likely to be promoted into the cavalry if successful in his examination? **Ans.**—That cannot be said. If he is a good horseman perhaps he might, if a vacancy existed at the time.

### FORT LEAVENWORTH.

#### THE KANSAS CITY TIMES SAYS:

Corpl. Orvin B. Wolf, Co. H, 14th Inf., has been informed by telegraph that Secretary Elkins has favorably considered his claims for a commission as 2d lieutenant and will receive the appointment in a day or two.

The headquarters, staff and band of the 13th Infantry left Fort Supply Jan. 3 for Fort Sill.

Lieut. Cruise, 6th Cav., and family have returned from a month's visit in Kentucky.

Miss Pearson, of Pittsburg, Pa., has returned to her home after a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. Sanda.

Dr. Allain, father of Mrs. Von Schrader, after a holiday visit to his daughter has returned to St. Louis. Mrs. Allain will remain for some time yet.

A paper read at a recent meeting of the post lyceum, by Lieut. Ryan, 2d Cav., on the "Post Mess," is causing a great deal of favorable comment among those officers who were present and heard the paper. Lieut. Ryan's position is against the post mess, and there appears to be a large number of officers who agree with him. There is not a company officer in this post who favors a general mess for the enlisted men.

The Ladies' Society of the King's Daughters, of Brooklyn, N. Y., remembered Troop C, 9th Cavalry, with a complete set of Capt. King's novels as a Christmas offering. A sister of the troop commander, Capt. Taylor, is a member of the society.

There has been a slight improvement in the condition of Mrs. Townsend, and hopes are being held out that she may yet recover. All society events set for the week have been postponed. Col. Townsend has turned the command over to Lieut.-Col. Kline, 9th Inf.

### PRESIDIO OF SAN FRANCISCO.

The Presidio Bugle has blown its last note and its editor, Mr. Norton Wood, in a Christmas number gracefully says: "We have been in the field a year and a half, and retire, we hope, in good order. \* \* \* We leave business regretfully, but proudly, satisfied that we have made a favorable impression on the public, and gained a good name, upon which we can rest assured."

### Military Order of the Loyal Legion.

At a meeting of the District of Columbia Commandery, held Jan. 4, among the candidates for membership were: Col. O. H. Ernst, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A.; Civil Eng'r, Geo. Mackay, U. S. N.; J. T. Sprague, M. D., eldest son of the late Col. John T. Sprague, U. S. A.; and Mr. Nelson Bowman Switzer, eldest son of Gen. N. B. Switzer, U. S. A. The membership of this Commandery on Nov. 30 was 538.

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**Bonfort's Wine and Spirit Circular**, which is now edited by Charles McK. Looser, formerly captain of the 2d U. S. Cavalry and colonel of the 11th N. Y. Vols., reports Mr. August Anheuser Busch, the Vice-President of the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Association, the largest brewing establishment in the world, as saying: "The old German proverb: 'Hope and malt; God protect them,' was formerly held in esteem by both brewer and beer drinker, and we Germans have always been proud to be able to manufacture a liquid from malt and hops which is healthy and strengthening, and which our forefathers drank and then lived to a good old age. It is a beverage whose mission it was to take the place of and reduce the consumption of whiskey. Many brewers use the cheaper ingredients of corn, instead of barley, in the manufacture of beer. Now this so-called corn beer is entirely devoid of many of the nutritious products found in barley malt beer, and in addition contains a much larger proportion of alcohol. Corn beer has no flavor. What has made beer the national drink of the world is the barley malt flavor, and this is entirely wanting in the cheap corn beer. Beer brewed from barley malt is healthful and strengthening, building up the constitution, and can be used to great advantage by brain workers, invalids, or the most delicate females. We take a pardonable pride in the products of our establishment, and no corn is ever used here. The demand for our products has of late constantly increased, and we are constantly building in order to supply the demand. We make a beer that has stood the test of time and has established a reputation at the very top. This and this only we shall continue to supply to the trade in the hope that in time the people will become educated up to our standard, and will compel other brewers to follow our example, at which time we shall even then hope to make ours a little the best."

### BIRTHS.

BAXTER.—At Norfolk, Va., Dec. 30, to the wife of Assistant Naval Constructor Wm. J. Baxter, U. S. N., a daughter.

### MARRIED.

BANISTER-NOLTEMIUS.—At St. Paul's Church, Petersburg, Va., Jan. 12, Captain Wm. BRODIAUX BANISTER, Assistant Surgeon, U. S. A., to Miss MARY CAROLINE NOLTEMIUS, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Noltemius.

MULLIGAN-OGSTON.—At St. Paul's, Washington, D. C., Jan. 4, 1898, Lieut. RICHARD T. MULLIGAN, U. S. Navy, to Miss EMILY OGSTON.

### DIED.

BARBER.—At Cambridge, Md., Jan. 1, the Rev. THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D., father of Lieutenant Henry A. Barber, 1st U. S. Cavalry.

BUTLER.—At Washington, D. C., Jan. 11, 1898, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BUTLER, Major-General of U. S. Volunteers.

CAPPA.—At New York City, Jan. 8, C. A. CAPPA, bandmaster of the 7th Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y.

CARTER.—At Great Falls, Mont., Dec. 30, STARR V. V. CARTER, son-in-law of 1st Lieutenant James A. Swift, 9th Cavalry.

EVERETT.—At Fort Riley, Kas., Jan. 8, ELLEN W., wife of 1st Lieutenant Wm. Everett, 4th Artillery.

MCDUGAL.—At Washington, D. C., Jan. 8, CATHERINE MARION MCDUGAL, widow of Rear Admiral David McDougal, U. S. Navy.

RUTTEN.—At New York, on Dec. 16, ELLA BAIRD, wife of John Reynaud, and sister of the wife of John B. Jackson, Second Secretary of Legation at Berlin, formerly Ensign, U. S. Navy.

WHITEHEAD.—Suddenly, of pneumonia, at the League Island Navy-yard, Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 8, Captain WM. WHITEHEAD, U. S. Navy.

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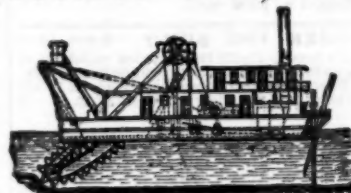
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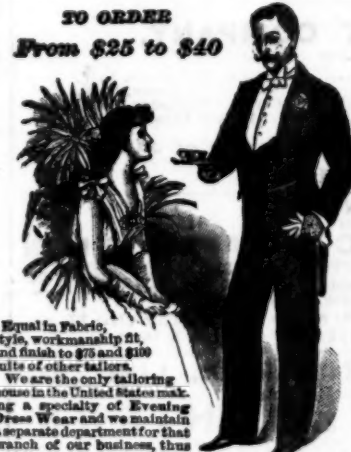


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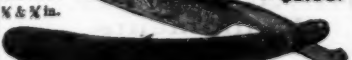
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